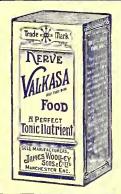


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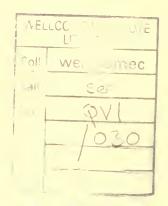
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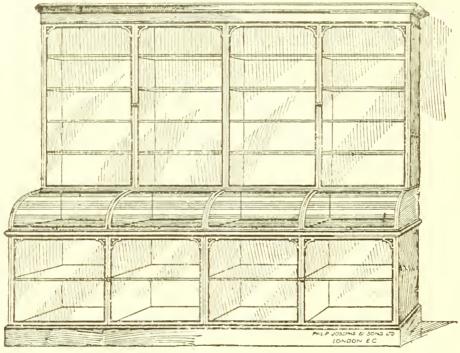
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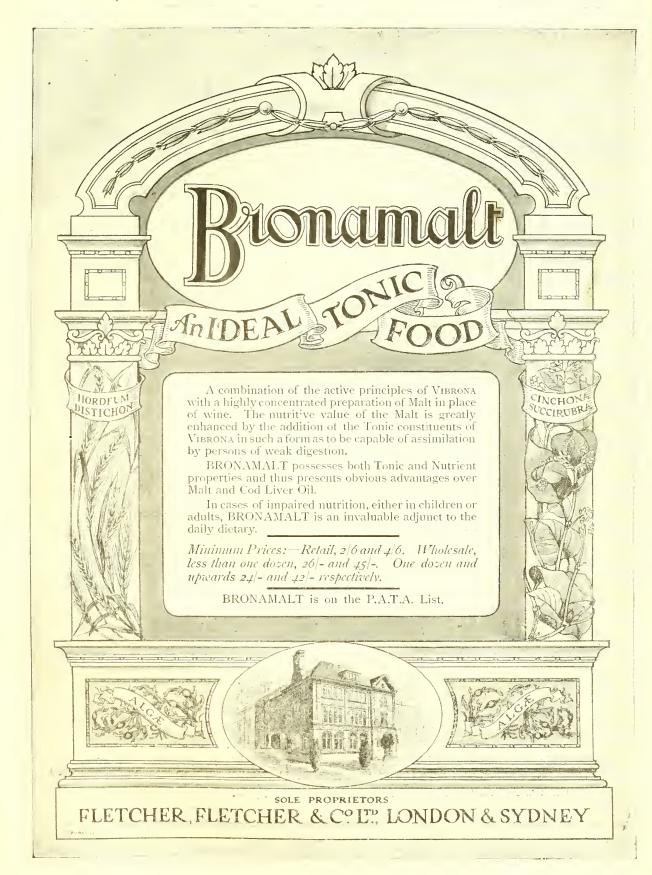
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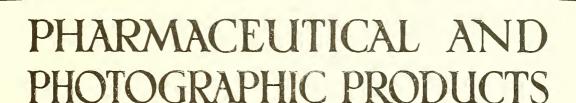
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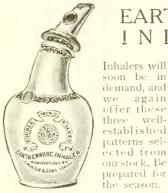
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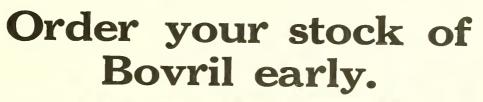
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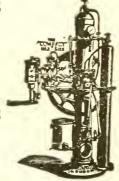
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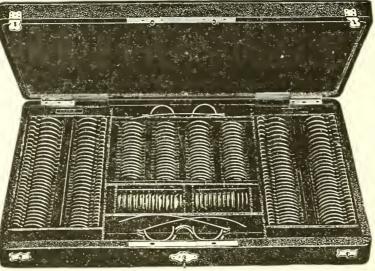
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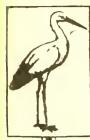
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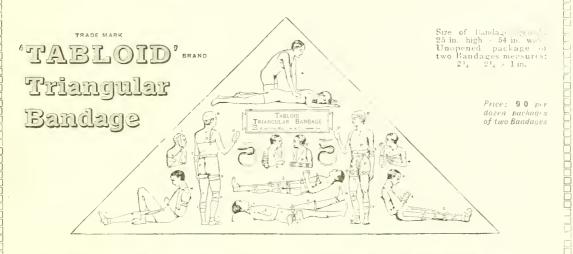
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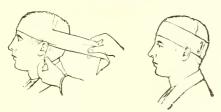
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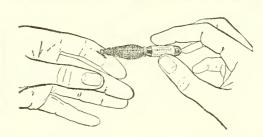


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#### Summary.

Enforcement of the increased medicine duties has been postponed until October 20.

We report fully the week's proceedings, beginning on p. 41 with the official notice and Mr. Glyn-Jones's speech in Parliament, and finishing with reports from the country.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer has indicated that a stamp of the postal size will be introduced. The difficulties which have still to be surmounted are mentioned in the editorial article.

There is trouble in New York about the composition of proprietary medicines having to be disclosed to the Board of Health (p. 38).

The winter session is again upon us and in full swing. We ask secretaries and others personally interested to note what we say at the beginning of the section (p. 53 to p. 57), in which forty-three meetings are reported.

The continuance of our Roll of Honour is gratifying connected with the business make good soldiers is proved by the number of them who are receiving commissions (p. 34).

At many chemists' meetings the principal topic at present is the Report of the Departmental Committee on the Drug Tariff, which is very freely criticised (p. 53 to p. 57). Scottish chemists are strongly averse to the proposed new Tariff, and the majority of our correspondents are for the reasons stated on pp. 62-63. We also deal with the matter on p. 49.

With the exception of phenacetin and acetylsalicylic acid, for which extremely high prices are being paid, the bulk of synthetic chemicals remains unchanged. Quinine. bichromates, castor oil, menthol, and opium are firmer; cocaine, soda hyposulphite, nux vomica, cclery-seed, and ammonia sulphate are easier. A drug auction will be held next week (p. 58).

#### European War.

A Year Ago To-day.

(War News in "C. & D.," October 3, 1911.)

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Deficiency in the supply of medicines began to be acute in various countries. The conditions for exportation of these from the United Kingdom were described and statistics were given of the exportation of them from Austria-Hungary. Germany, and the United Kingdom, these being in connection with the Board of Trade's scheme of capturing We noted the appointment of a Chemical enemy trade. We noted the appointment of a Chemical Reagents and Apparatus Committee of chemists, also the production of British salicylic acid, and continued our Pharmaceutical Roll of Honour with a page of names. Editorially the preparation of liquid parafin and the scarcity of morphine in Germany were treated.

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CUMMINGS, Second-Licutenant H. D., 3/8th Battalion Lancashire Fusiliers (from King's Liverpool Regiment), and Second-Licutenant G. Cummings, 10th South Lancashire Regiment (from Manchester University O.T.C.), sons of Mr. John Cummings, chemist, Crewe.

Davies, Harry (lately assistant with L. Rowland & Co. chemists, Wrenham), Royal Engineers.

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Cairo.
Dickinson, Second-Lieutenant F. N. R. (son of Mr. F. Dickinson, chemist and druggist, St. Mary's Street, Stamford), 7th Essex Regiment.
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Exley, Second-Lieutenant George Allen (son of Mr. John Exley, Ph.C., Hunslet Lane, Leeds, and Burley-in-Wharfedale), King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry (from R.E.).
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FORTINE, H., chemist and druggist, 67th Field Ambulance, R.A.M.C.
Francis, A. (lately assistant with L. Rowland & Co.,

Francis, A. (lately assistant with L. Rowland & Co., chemists, Wrexham), R.A.M.C.
HUDSON, HAROLD, chemist and druggist, formerly of Whitby, and lately of Zealandia, Saskatchewan, Canada, Canadian Army Medical Corps, attached 5th Canadian

Artillery.
HUGHES, H. (lately apprentice with L. Rowland & Co., chemists, Wrexham), Royal Welsh Fusiliers.
JARVIS, L. V. (lately with Mr. F. E. Bustard, St. Ann's Road, Tottenham), R.A.M.C.
McNaught, Second-Lieut-nant Jas. (son of Mr. Andrew McNaught, Ph.C., Queen's Bridge Pharmacy, Bridge End, Belfast), 1st Battalion Royal Irish Regiment (from 9th Battalion Highland Light Infantry (Glasgow Highlanders) (T.F.)). Second-Lieutenant McNaught has been serving as private with the Glasgow Highlanders in France since a private with the Glasgow Highlanders in France since October, 1914.

Maddox, Lance-Corporal W. R. (lately apprentice with have & Jackson, Ltd., chemists, Hereford), R.A.M.C.,

Chave & Jackson, Ltd., chemists, Hereford), R.A.M.C., South Wales Mounted Brigade, Manley, W. (lately assistant with L. Rowland & Co., chemists, Wrexham), R.A.M.C.

chemists, Wrexham), R.A.M.C.

MERCER, HERBERT (son and pupil of Mr. A. Mercer, chemist, Crich, near Matlock), Royal Engineers (from Public Schools Battalion, Royal Fusiliers).

O'FARRELL, S. (former assistant of G. White & Sons. Ltd., chemists, Waterford), 5th Battalion Grenadier Guards.

ORMEROD, H. J. (lately assistant with L. Rowland & Co., chemists).

chemists, Wrexham), R.A.M.C. PROTHERS, S. (lately assistant with L. Rowland & Co.,

chemists, Wrexham), R.A.M.C.
Robertson, Lance-Corporal Robert, chemist's assistant,
Aberfeldy, R.A.M.C., attached Scottish Horse. Lance-Corporal Robertson has been wounded in action at the Dardanelles.

Second-Lieutenant C. H. B., chemist and drug-SEEL

Seel, Second-Lieutenant C. H. B., chemist and druggist, Macclesfield, 2/7th Cheshire Regiment.

Teick, Lieutenant Stanley Arthur (son of Mr. W. B. Trick, J.P., chemist and druggist, of Lewis & Burrows, Ltd.), Army Service Corps.

Wilkinson, Private E. C. (formerly with Mr. A. Knowles, chemist, Morecambe), Australian Army Medical

WILLIAMS, Second-Licutenant H. V. (lately assistant with Mr. J. Cummings, chemist, Crewe). Royal Welsh Fusiliers (from Bangor University O.T.C.).

YARDLEY, W. (lately assistant with L. Rowland & Co., chemists, Wrexham), R.A.M.C.

Exportation Notices.

DUTCH COLONIES.—"Handelsberichten" of September 16 publishes a list of articles the exportation of which from the Dutch East Indies, Curação, and Surinam is prohibited according to various decrees. Ammonium hydrosulphide and synthetic indigo from the Dutch East Indies and fixed oils from Surinam are among the prohibited articles.

France.—Permission to ship glycerin to the Allied coun-

tries without previous authorisation has been withdrawn.

Germany.—A decree of September 11 prohibits the exportation of empty bottles for mineral waters and of centri-

fugal machinery.

RUSSIA.-The exportation of casein by all frontiers of the Empire has been prohibited. Pitch, tar, and alcohol can row be exported without special application, in the case of each consignment, direct to Allied countries in Russian or

Sweden.—Reuter telegraphed on Sentember 24 that the Swedish Government has prohibited the export of rubber, different kinds of varnishes, printers' ink, and various dyes.

Trade with China and Siam,

The Foreign Office draw attention to a Proclamation just issued prohibiting the exportation of goods consigned to any persons or bodies of persons in China or Siam other than such as may be notified by Order of the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, or of the Board of Trade, to be inserted in the London, Edinburgh, and Dublin "Gazettes." First lists of approved consignees follow the text of the Proclamation in a Supplement to the "London Gazette," published on Friday, September 24. Firms desiring to export goods to the countries in question consigned to traders not appearing in these lists should make application to the Foreign Office, who will, if necessary, inquire by telegraph (at the applicant's expense) or by post of H.M. Consular officers whether the proposed consignees may be approved as not serving as intermediaries for enemy firms. In the list of approved firms we notice the following connected with the chemical and drug trades: The Foreign Office draw attention to a Proclamation just following connected with the chemical and drug trades:

Norbury & Co. Oxygen & Drum Co.

Shanghai Dispensary

Tientsin Dispensary.

P. O'Brien Twigg.

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Bangkok

Teh Kee Dispensary, Han-

A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd. Whiteway, Laidlaw & Co. Dr. Williams Medicine Co. Woollen Vosy & Co., Tient-

SLIM. British Dispensary, Bang-

French Dispensary, Bang-

kok. Lotus Dispensary, Bangkok.

Nestlé & Anglo-Swiss Con-densed Milk Co., Bangkok. Puket Dispensary. Puket. Siam Industries Syndicate,

Swee Hion, Puket. Whiteway, Laidlaw & Co.,

CHINA.

Allen & Hanburys, Ltd. American Trading Co. Anglo-Chinese Dispensary, Hankow

Anglo-Chinese Dispensary, Shanghai.
Brunner. Mond & Co., Ltd.
Burroughs Wellcome & Co.
Central China Dispensary.

Central China Dispensary.
China & Japan Trading Co.
Crosfield & Sons.
Crystal, Ltd.
Erasmic Co.
Fukien Drug Co., Amoy.
Fukien Drug Co., Chefoo.
Grenard, Betines & Co.

Fukien Drug Co., Chetoo Grenard, Betines & Co. Hankow Dispensary, Ltd. Lever Bros., Ltd. J. Llewelyn & Co. Mactavish & Lehmann, Mitsni & Co.

Mustard & Co. National Cash Register Co. Nestlé & Anglo-Swiss Milk

The list contains about 500 names of approved persons in China and 100 in Siam. Other lists will be issued.

Personalia.

Mr. Graham Bott, recently dispenser at the Royal Herbert Military Hospital, Weolwich, has been appointed to the staff of the Anglo-Russian Hospital shortly proceeding to

PRIVATE T. T. BRINDLE, 1/4th Royal Scots, second son of Mr. E. Brindle, chemist and druggist, Morrison Street, Edinburgh is now officially reported wounded and missing since July 9.

Mr. Herbert Maben, a son of Mr. Thomas Maben, Ph.C., F.C.S., and a private in the London Scottish, was on Saturday last wounded in the arm during the attack on the Germans. He is now somewhere in England.

CORPORAL EDWARD CALCOT PRYCE, 6th Battalion Shrop-shire Light Infantry, who, prior to the war, was engaged as a chemist's assistant at Leominster, has received a shrapnel-wound in the leg while acting as a regimental stretcher-bearer.

Mr. J. T. Guy Murison, M.P.S., second son of Mr. John Murison, managing director of Parke's Drug Stores, Ltd., who was wounded in the charge of the London Scottish at Messines, has now recovered, and has received a commission in the East Surrey Regiment.

LIEUTENANT R. H. FLETCHER, Westminster Dragoons, lately manager of the disinfectant department of Edward Cook & Co., Ltd., Bow, London, E., who was wounded on the Gallipoli Peninsula, and was in hospital at Alexandria, is now convalescent and awaiting orders to return to active

LANCE-CORPORAL W. LEE BRAY, of the Royal 1st Devon Yeomanry, eldest son of Mr. W. J. Bray, chemist and druggist, Exeter, has been promoted to the rank of sergeant-dispenser, with an appointment at a central depôt of the R.A.M.C. (T.). Sergeant Bray passed the Minor examination in April 1914.

examination in April 1914.

LIEUTEMANT STANLEY ARTHUR TRICK, son of Mr. W. B. Trick, J.P., chemist and druggist, of Lewis & Burrows, Ltd., who has just been gazetted to the Army Service Corps, is an old Merchant Taylors' boy. He was for ten months a platoon-sergeant of the Old Boys' Corps, and before leaving London to take up his new dutics he was presented by the members of the Old Boys' Corps with a sword bearing a suitable inscription. The good wishes of all members of the Corps go with Lieutenant Trick in his new sphere of action. new sphere of action.

new sphere of action.

Second-Lieutenant A. Proctor Atkinson, who has just been appointed to the 21st (Service) Battalion Middlesex Regiment (Islington's Own), is the eldest son of Mr. A. Proctor Atkinson (Duncan, Flockhart & Co., 155 Farringdon Road, London, E.C.). On the outbreak of war he enlisted in the Honourable Artillery Company, Infantry Battalion, and, being an exceptionally fine shot, he was one of the first contingent to be sent out to France in September 1914. He has spent many months in the fighting lines, and on June 16 was wounded at Hooge, when the II.A.C. helped to capture three lines of German trenches. Second-Lieutenant A. P. Atkinson has returned from France to take up his commission, and is now in training for the to take up his commission, and is now in training for the requisite examinations.

#### Miscellaneous.

A RUSSIAN NITRATE-WORKS .-- It is reported from Copenhagen that the Norsk-Hydro, which owns the patent rights for the Eydo-Birkeland process for the extraction of nitro-gen from the atmosphere, has granted a working licence for Russia. A wealthy syndicate has been formed to work the process near Archangel.

CHEMISTS IN THE ROYAL Engineers.—The military authorities have announced to the various commands that, for the present, no further transfers to the Royal Engineers of men with a knowledge of chemistry are required. names of men who possess chemical qualifications should, however, be sent to the War Office, where they will be noted in case of the Royal Engineers being again open to

receive transfers of such mcn.

TREATMENT OF WOUNDED SOLDIERS.--An "Exchanged Officer," in an article in "Blackwood's Magazine," tells of other, in an article in Blackwood's Magazine, tens of the breakdown of German organisation for the care of wounded men. As late as January of this year a large number of wounded men, Germans and prisoners, were crowded into third-class carriages for the long journey from Flanders to Southern Germany. No distinction was from Flanders to Southern Germany. No distinction was maintained—among the wounded prisoners, at any rate—between sitting-up and lying-down cases, the forwarding of the trains by the railway officers was about as bad as could be, the arrangements for feeding and supplies generally totally broke down, and the policing of the stations seems in many places to have been left to chance. A fact mentioned incidentally, and quoted as an example of good organisation, is that dressing-rooms and pharmacies had been established at railway stations in Belgium. This looks well until we learn that wounds were not dressed during the long journey, and that, in fact, there were no trained the long journey, and that, in fact, there were no trained orderlies or nurses to make any attempt in that direction. The whole story of muddle and callousness, states the "British Medical Journal," from which we quote, takes us back to pre-Crimean days, with some added horrors, due to mere spite and cowardice, thrown in.

# Corner for Students.

Conducted by Leonard Dobbin, Ph.D.

Communications should be addressed Corner for Students, "The Chemist and Druggist," 42 Cannon Street, London, E.C.

QUALITATIVE ANALYSIS FOR JUNIOR STUDENTS.

MIXTURE of not more than three salts will form the subject of the next exercise in qualitative analysis. The mixture will comprise acids and inorganic bases occurring in the British Pharmacopæia, and is to be submitted to a thorough systematic examination, all its constituents are to be detected, and proof is to be given that the substances detected are the only constituents of the mixture.

Students' applications for portions of the mixture of salts (accompanied by a stamped and addressed envelope, marked "Corner for Students" on the top left-hand corner) will be received up to Tuesday, October 5, on which day the

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Students' reports will be received up to Saturday, October 16. Each report should contain a concise account of the work done, and should include a list of the constituents detected. In this list any substance regarded as an accidental impurity should be distinguished from the essential constituents of the salts composing the mixture.

Special Notice.—The prizes in this series of analyses will Special Notice.—The prizes in this series of analyses will be awarded only to apprentices or assistants who are preparing for the Qualifying examination of the Pharmacutical Society of Great Britain or of Ireland, which fact must be attested on their reports. Others may obtain specimens of the mixture of salts, and their reports will be separately adjudicated, but they will be regarded as hors concours. Correspondents who do not state that they are preparing for a qualifying examination will be included in the latter list. in the latter list.

# New Customs and Excise Duties.

In our issue of September 25 (p. 70) we gave particulars of the new Budget duties, and we now add the rates on counter goods on which a pro-rata duty is levied:

cognate goods on which a pro rata duty is it	ALEG:	
•	Old	New
	Duty.	Duty.
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Blacking, liquid or solid, containing sugar or		
any sweetening-matter, per cwt	0 5	2. 1
Coramel solid per cwt	1 10	9 4
Caramer, some, per enter	1 4	6 9
Do., liquid, per ewt	0 1	0 1
Cocoa-butter, per lb	0 1	0 12
Confectionery, made from sugar and containing		
no other ingredients except flavouring, per cwt.	1 10	9 4
Do., liquorice, not containing more than 30 per		
cent. of added sugar or other sweetening-		
cent, of added sugar of other sweetening	0 7	3 0
matter, per cwt	0 /	0 0
Do. (soft), A.B. gums imported in bulk, with		
the declaration that duty on the combined		
quantity of sugar and glucose does not exceed		
the rate of 10d. in the cwt., per cwt	0 10	4 3
Do. (soft), other A.B. gums. chewing-gums,		
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jelly-beans, caramels, Turkish delight, etc.	7 0	6 0
per cwt	1 4.	6 9
Do. (hard), such as sugared almonds, caraway-		
seeds, etc., per cwt	1 10	9 4
Do., declared on entry that the sugar coating		
does exceed 72 per cent. of total net weight,		
	1 /	
per cwt	1 4	
Ginger, preserved in syrup or sugar, per cwt	1 4	6 9
Glucose, solid, per cwt	1 2	5 11
Glucose, solid, per cwt	0 10	4 3
Milk, condensed, sweetened, whole, per cut	0 9	3 10
Do., sweetened, separated or skimmed, per cwt.	0.10	4 3
	0 10	7 0
Do., slightly sweetened, whether whole, separated,		
or skimmed, not containing more than 18 per		
cent. of added sugar, per cwt	0 4	1 8
Milk-powder, declared not to contain any added		
sugar	Free	
Do., declared not to contain more than 36 per		
cent. of added sugar, per cwt	0.8	3 5
	0 0	0 0
Do., in all other instances, and when dispensing		П (
with sampling and testing, per cwt	1 6	7 6
Motor-spirit, per gal	0 3	0 6
Nestlé's milk-food, per cwt,	0 7	3 0
Do., when containing molasses or other sweeten-		
ing-matter, per cwt	0 5	2 1
	0 0	L 1
Saccharin (including mixtures), substances of	0 7	7 0
a like nature or use, per oz	0 7	3 0
Tamarinds, preserved in syrup, per ewt	0 5	2 1
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AGRICULTURAL CHEMISTRY.—Extract from an Indian landowner's letter to a Government adviser: "And in order to use the approved system (of cultivation) I beg you very kindly to suggest a book on Pharmacy."—Punch.

## English and Welsh News.

Subscribers are invited to send to the Editor newspapers containing matters of trade interest. The items should be indicated.

#### Liverpool.

Mr. John H. Robinson, Hon. Secretary of the Liverpool Chemists' Association, left home on Tuesday for a three-weeks' "cure" at Harrogate.

The City Council has issued a draft order for chemists and druggists in the city to close at 9 P.M. on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays; 1 P.M. on Wednesdays; 9.30 P.M. on Fridays; and 10.30 P.M. on Saturdays. is interesting to note that the Glasgow City Council has refused a similar order for the retail drug-trade there.-Editor C. & D.

"Remember the men at the Front and send them useful Presents" is a notice to be seen in the windows of pharmacists who supply packets of comforts for the men in the treuches. The number of these comforts has multiplied amazingly, and many are so highly appreciated at home as well as on the battlefield that their permanent sale seems assured.

#### Sheffield.

Mr. H. Bown, chemist and druggist, has placed on the market a new disinfectant under the registered name of Bownoid.

Pharmacists who have signed on as special constables were called up for duty on September 28, when the King visited the local munition-works.

The many friends of Mr. A. T. Appleton, retired wholesale chemist, will be pleased to hear that he is making a satisfactory recovery from his recent illness.

Some of the local panel chemists, who had become sick of the injustice of having to dispense acetylsalicylic-acid tablets at the Tariff rate, have successfully approached the prescriber, who was under the impression that he was doing the chemist a good turn by ordering tablets. will now order the drug in powder form.

Local owners and drivers of motor-cars have been approached with a view to forming a Motor Volunteer Corps to be attached to the Sheffield Volunteer Defence Corps. The object is to have a body of trained motorists, with cars, at the disposal of the Regular, Territorial, or Volunteer Forces, for use as a mobile force for home defence. Councillor S. Roberts is secretary of the movement.

The Hon. Secretary of the local Chemical and Pharmaceutical Society has arranged with Major Hall Dalwood to enrol a First Aid Section composed of pharmacists for the Ambulance Brigade of the Sheffield Defence Corps, under Drs. Martin and Robertson. The duties of the section, in addition to first-aid work, will include camp sanitation and water-analysis. Pharmacists and assistants should apply for enrolment in the section to Mr. S.

Furnival, Ph.C., 265 Glossop Road.

G. T. W. Newsholme, Ltd., chemists, 27 High Street, have issued a neat counter folder, advertising a selection of little necessaries and comforts for soldiers and sailors. It bears on the front the flags of the Allies, and among the articles advertised are beef-tea tablets, vigoral beef and chicken cubes, oxo cubes, vitafer chocolate, tea-tabloids, malted-milk tablets, peppermint and ginger candy, lime-juice pastilles, water-sterilising tablets, iodine ampcules, boric ointment and vaseline, boric and foot powders, shaving-soap, etc.

Contracts for Drugs, etc.

Subjoined are particulars regarding contracts for drugs and allied products of interest to subscribers :

Atherstone Guardians.—Parkinson & Son, chemists, chemists' goods.
Belper Guardians.—Calvert'& Son, chemists, drugs.

Chard Guardians.—Mr. A. Sanders, chemist, drugs.
Chipping Norton Guardians.—Mr. A. G. Felthouse,
chemist, disinfectants.

Clitheroe Guardians.—Mr. J. Harrison, chemist, drugs and dressings.

Derby Guardians.—Davies, Sons & Co., drugs.

Guardians.-Mr. Woodruff, Eastry chemists' sundries.

Epsom Guardians.—Mr. C. J. G. Roe, chemist, drugs. Faversham Guardians. Mr. J. T. Rolfe, appointed

Hemel Hempstead Guardians.—Mr. F. Chapman, chemist, surgical dressings.

Hull Guardians.-Ingram & Son. London, and the

Hull Guardians.—Ingram & Son. London, and the Asbestos Rubber Co., Hull, rubber goods.
Isle of Thanet Guardians.—Mr. V. J. Woolls, chemist, Margate; Mr. A. H. Siminson, chemist, St. Lawrence, Margate; and Mr. J. H. Skitt, ehemist, Margate—drugs for outdoor poor.

Keighley Guardians.-Mr. J. Harrison, chemist, drugs.

Ludlow Guardians.—Mr. W. J. Parvin, cod-liver oil (8d. per lb.); G. Woodhouse & Son, chemists, cod-liver oil emulsion (10½d per lb.) and crushed linseed (2s. 1d. per 12 lb.).

Newport (Salop) Guardians. Mr. F. II. Slinn, chemist.

disinfecting-fluid.

Nuneaton Guardians, Boots Cash Chemists, chemists' goods.

Portsmouth Guardians. McDougall Bros., Ltd., disinfecting-powder (9s. per cwt.); W. Pink & Sons, bovril (19s. 5d. doz.).

Romsey Guardians. - Mr. F. Oram, Ph.C., drugs and

Sculeoates (Hull) Guardians, Mr. H. Leggott, chemist,

drugs. Stourbridge Guardians, Mr. A. I. West, chemist.

chemists' goods. Swindon and Highworth Guardians, -Green & Co.,

chemists' goods.

Tadeaster Guardians.—Mr. J. H. Hull, chemist, drugs. Twickenham Urban District Council.—Mr. A. Feather, chemist, Jeyes' corporation powder (5t. per ton). Wakefield Guardians.—E. P. Shaw & Co., Ltd., soda-

Watford Guardians. Mr. T. Chater, chemist, drugs and

surgical dressings

Wolstanton and Burslem Guardians. McDougall Bros.

Ltd., disinfectants and soap. Wolverhampton Guardians. Southall Bros. & Barclay. Wolverhambton Guardians. Southall Bros. & Barciay. Ltd., drugs for workhouse (1027, 5s. 9d.); Corbyn, Staeey & Co., drugs for out relief dispensary (43l. 15s. 11½d.); W. G. Taylor, surgical dressings (83l. 14s. 10d.); The Sanitas Co., Ltd., Sanitas carbolic soft soap (1l. 14s. per cwt.). Wirrall Guardians.—Mr. D. R. Rowlands, chemist, Bishelbed Land.

Birkenhead, drugs.
Worksop Guardians.—Mr. J. R. Pennington, chemist,

Miscellaneous. BIRMINGHAM.—There is considerable difficulty in obtaining supplies of benzene, benzol, and benzoline in the city, most of the local stocks having passed under State control.

NEW BUILDINGS. West Ham Corporation has passed plans for additions proposed to be made at the factory of Jeyes' Sanitary Compounds Co., Ltd., Richmond Street. Plaistow, London, E.

ELECTROLYTIC DISINFECTING-FLUID.—The General Purposes Committee of Poplar Borough Council has decided to recommend to the Council that a charge of 8d, per gal, should be made to manufacturers and trading concerns for electrolytic disinfecting fluid supplied through the Electricity Department.

CAMBERWELL DRUGS.—At a meeting of the Borough Council on September 24 Councillor W. Shrimpton complained that no samples of drugs had been submitted to the public analyst for nine months, and Councillor W. F. S. Vicary, Chairman of the Public Health Committee, promised that his Committee would consider the matter.

Poisoning Cases. Five of the nine deaths due to poisons reported during the week were suicidal cases, the poisons involved being ammonia, earbolic acid, salt of lemon, poison for killing wasps, and one unknown poison. Two persons died through accidentally swallowing carbolic acid one through taking a corrosive fluid by misadyenture, and a child died at Birmingham as a result of sucking matches.

Fire.—An outbreak of fire, the origin of which is a mystery, occurred at the warehouse of J. & H. A. Averill, pharmaceutical chemists, Stafford. The fire-brigade succeeded in preventing the flames from reaching the petrolceeded in preventing the flames from reaching the petrosstore, but the contents of the warehouse, which were of an inflammable nature, were destroyed. The damage is largely covered by insurance. This is the second fire that has occurred in ehemists' warehouses in Stafford within a week, a store belonging to Marson & Son. 23 Greengate Street, Stafford, having been damaged by fire on September 15 (C. L. P. September 25 p. 52) ber 16 (C. & D., September 25, p. 52).

FATAL EXPLOSION.—At the Manchester Coroner's Court on September 24, Mr. C. W. W. Surridge, Deputy Coroner, opened an inquiry into the cause of death of four men opened an inquiry into the cause of death of four men who lost their lives in an explosion at the dye and chemical works of Levinstein, Ltd., Crumpsall Vale, on September 20 (C. & D., September 25, p. 53). Two of the victims were instantly killed by the explosion, while the other two died of their injuries. After evidence of identification had been given, the Coroner adjourned the inquest pending the result of an investigation by his Majesty's Factory Inspector.

Factory Inspector.

THE NATIONAL AMALGAMATED UNION OF SHOP-ASSISTANTS, WAREHOUSEMEN, AND CLERKS still keeps up its agitation among drug warehousemen in London. The latest thing reported is that the male staff of a London firm are exercised in their minds as to what is "the normal working week," and are to ballot on the question. The Union, in its circular, says on the subject: "As several other houses have conceded, and are working quite successfully under it, the Union will have no alternative, if the staff should decide by ballot to cease work to secure it, but to render financial assistance to the members in dispute. Every effort decide by bands to cease work to see that it, from the financial assistance to the members in dispute. Every effort will be made to avoid an open rupture." [It appears to us that no more unfortunate time than the present could have been selected for agitation of this nature. Few houses are not engaged in the production of medicines for the Army and Navy, and these are as urgent as the supply of munitions.—Editor C. d. D.]

munitions.—Editor C. & D.]

West Bromwich Minimum Prices.—The following have been fixed by the Pharmaceutical Association: Cod-liver cil, bottles, 8-oz. 1s. 2d., 16-oz. 2s. 3d., 32-oz. 4s. 4d.; ditto, bulk, 2d. per oz., ½ lb. 7d., 1 lb. 2s.: seltzogene-charges, per doz., 3-pint 2s., 5-pint 2s. 6d. 8-pint 3s. 9d.; naphthaline, 8½d. lb.; quinine sulph., 2s. 6d. oz.; tablets, quinin, sulph., 2-gr., 25 8d., 100 2s.: Pinaud's pommade hongroise, 5d.: metol-substitute, 5s. 6d. oz.: genuine metol. 7s. 6d. oz.; Apenta. 1s. 5d.; Hunyadi, 1s. 6d. aspirin and acctosal tablets, 1s. 3d. for 25 and 4s. 6d. for 100; Bayer's aspirin, 6s. oz.; tablets, 25 1s. 9d., 100 6s. "Tabloid": Phenacetin and phenacetin co., 1s. 4d. for 25 and 4s. for 100: quinin. sulph., 2 gr., 8d. and 2s.; Aspirin, Empirin, or Xava. 1s. 6d. and 5s. 3d.: Xava co. or Empirin co., 2s. and 6s.; Xavaquin., 1s., 6d. and 4s. 6d.: Xava and caffeine, 1s. 6d. and 5s. 3d.: Xava and Dover powder, 1s. 3d. and 3s. 9d.: Xava and phenacetin, 1s. 8d. and 5s.

Pharmacettical. Boweers.—The return bowling match

PHARMACEUTICAL BOWLERS.—The return bowling match between North and East London pharmacists was played at Wood Green on Thursday afternoon, September 23, a goodly company of pharmacists being present as spectators. The green (one of the finest sheets of Cumberland turf in London) was very fast, and this was reflected in the play. but the stern men from the North once more beat the wise men from the East, this time by eight points. The teams and scores were:

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North
                                             Mr. Abelson ...
Mr. Hatfield ...
Mr. Styles ...
Mr. Keith (skip) ...
Mr. Bennett
Mr. Payne ...
Mr. Grassick
Mr. Bowie (skip) ...
                                              Mr. Goode .
Mr. Honiatt
Mr. Hearle
Mr. McRostie
                                             Mr. Coulton
Mr. Wood ...
                                     16
Mr. Dow (skip)
                                              Mr. Wilson (skip)
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The North play the South-Eastern at Wood Green on Thursday, September 30, which concludes the season's engagements.

gagements.

The Creditors of Harry Edwin Tovey (trading as Tovey's Drug-stores), 216 Barton Street. Gloucester, met on September 22, when a statement of affairs was submitted showing liabilities 1201. 3s. and net assets 181, 17s. After trading with his brother until seven years ago, debtor carried on business himself, and had an estimated weekly turnover of 91, 12s. until 1913, when the takings gradually declined and had not averaged more than 21, 3s. a week. Expenses for rent, rates, gas. etc., were about 11, a week. The creditors decided that the debtor be asked to find a sufficient sum by November 1 next to enable a composition of between 4s. and 5s. in the pound to be paid to the whole of the unsecured creditors, otherwise that the estate should be realised and the proceeds distributed pro rata among the creditors, who inotherwise that the estate should be realised and the proceeds distributed pro rata among the creditors, who include: Ayrton, Saunders & Co., Ltd. (3/.); Blyton, Astley & Co. (7/.); Butler & Sons (7/.); Coulthurst & Harding (3/.); Evans, Gadd & Co., Ltd. (3/.); Ford, Shapland & Co. (3/.); Harker, Stagg & Morgan, Ltd. (4/.); Hockin, Wilson & Co., Ltd. (4/.); Morgan Davis (3/.); National Drug Co. (5/.); Potter & Clarke, Ltd. (16/.); Sangers (3/.); and Wand Manufacturing Co. (5/.)

#### Scottish News.

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#### Brevities.

Mr. Thomas Dunn, chemist and druggist, 5 High Street, Selkirk, has been appointed a Justice of the Peace for the shire.

Hamilton pharmacists unauimously agreed at a meeting on Friday, September 24, to discontinue on October 15 dispensing medicines under the scheme of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Families Association. It transpired that several chemists had refused the service, and some doctors who keep drug-shops sent their prescriptions elsewhere to be dispensed.

At Perth Police Court, on September 23, Beryl Hamilton, an actress, was fined 20s., with the alternative of tendays' imprisonment, for stealing, on September 20, from the shop at 15 Princes Street, Perth, occupied by Mr. James Farquhar, chemist, a 2s. 6d. pot of Oatine, a 1s. tube of bath-tablets, a 1s. bottle of Insectol, a 2s. 6d. bottle of Anzora cream, and a 1s. bottle of toilet-paraffin. It appeared that the accused had gone into the pharmacy along with Mr. N. H. Mayne, an actor, and asked Mr. Farquhar to make up a headache cachet. Mr. Farquhar was alone in the shop, and for the purpose of dispensing the cachet he was engaged in the back premises for tenminutes. It was then that the articles were stolen.

#### Aberdeen and the North.

Monday, September 27, was observed as the Aberdeen Autumn Holiday. Unfortunately, the weather was wet and boisterous, and few excursionists left the city.

The annual report of Robert Gordon's Technical College for 1914-15, recently issued by Principal Stewart, indicates that the new chemistry department has been very successful. It is stated that the new facilities offered in the various schools of the College have given an impetus to technical education in the area, and there are unmistakable signs that students will be attracted in ever-increasing numbers, and that in time the industries of the district will benefit greatly.

#### Edinburgh.

Who is stamping the name of a popular proprietary pill on the back of ten-shilling currency notes? Or is everybody doing it?

An Edinburgh clergyman has put a new patent medicine on the market this month. He has called on chemists lately, asking them to permit him to book a small order.

Local newspapers have notified the fact that the Zam-Buk Co. issued a circular stating that after Tuesday, September 28, the public will have to pay fifteen pence for patent medicines which hitherto cost one shilling and three-halfpence.

Mr. Thomas Stephenson, F.C.S., etc., as Secretary of the Edinburgh Rotary Club, had a busy hour on September 22, when the Club entertained Mr. Harry Lauder to luncheon. Mr. Stephenson appealed for tobacco-pipes for the soldiers at the Dardanelles; a collection was made, and a goodly sum obtained.

#### Fife

Mr. R. S. Herd, chemist and druggist, 101 High Street, Kirkcaldy, has two beautiful porcelain carboy-stands in his window. They are richly burnished, with floral designs, and covered on top with plush. Standing three feet high they are very striking. In the Westend Pharmacy (Mr. A. G. Adamson) is a good show of Silkum Corn-plaster, and prominently displayed is a red arrow pointing to a card, on which are stuck six pennies, with the words "Enough for 'Your' corns."

A local paper states that chemists in Kirkcaldy have sold enormous quantities of spirit since the restriction in hours of sale in licensed premises was enforced. It is stated that within the past week or two practically all iocal chemists have increased their sales of methylated spirit 100 per cent. From inquiries made we find that

Fifeshire chemists on all hands discourage the sale of methylated spirit to undesirables. In fairness to chemists, it should be noted that many other traders, ironmongers, oil-stores, etc., hold methylated-spirit licences.

#### Glasgow and the West.

Several doctors have recently been brought to task by the local Committee for excessive prescribing.

Wholesale houses closed down at 1 p.m. on Saturday last and remained closed till Tuesday, this being the autumn holiday, which is the last holiday of the year. Retailers took the day off on Monday.

The regular appearance of a report of the drug-market in the "Glasgow Herald" every Saturday, with features similar to that of the  $\ell$ . d. D., inclines to the belief that the Glasgow paper is lifting "copy" and must have a pnarmaceutical contributor.

Dr. John Adams, Queen's Crescent, who was a member of the Departmental Committee on National Health Insurance Sick Benefit, was at one time a chemist and druggist. His brother, Mr. George Adams, has a pharmacy in Parliamentary Road.

The proposed additional tax on dutiable medicine has been received with equanimity among retailers; after all, the consumer has to "pay the piper." There has been a steady stream of purchasers at city shops since the Chancellor's announcement, and heavy purchases of popular patents have been made.

The late John McMillan, of Glasgow, put on the market many years ago a preparation of phenol and soap, known as carbo-serpol. It is similar to lysol, and is used in the leading surgical institutions and nursing homes. The preparation was the result of the combined ideas of Sir George Beatson, M.D., K.C.B., and the late John McMillan.

# French News.

(From the "C. & D." Paris Correspondent.)

ALCOHOL STOCKS.—The military authorities have commandeered for the War Explosives Department all stocks of alcohol over 200 gallons, but steps have been taken to assure perfumers, manufacturers of pharmaceuticals, etc., sufficient stocks for at least a month.

MILITARY CHEMICAL SUPPLY.—The Army Committee of the Chamber of Deputies has unanimously approved the report of M. d'Aubigny on the organisation of the military chemical supply, and has decided to request the Under-Secretary of State for Ordnance to give evidence at its next sitting.

Trading with the Enemy.—In August 1914 M. Henri Racine, a Mentone merchant, consigned to Farina, of Cologne, a large quantity of neroli oil and about 100 gallons of olive oil. The consignment was made after the date of mobilisation, so he was summoned for trading with the enemy and condemned to imprisonment in a fortress. From this judgment he appealed to the Marseilles Revision Court-Martial, and the case come before General Straforello and his colleagues last week. They quashed the finding of the lower Court and sent the case to be re-tried by the Montpellier Court-Martial.

Gas-gangrene.—Dr. Taylor, bacteriologist of the Imperial Cancer Research, has been experimenting bacteriologically as to the cause of this disease, and found that with guinea-pigs he was unable to obtain results which would allow him to apply his conclusions to human beings, as the crucial experiment of inoculating a human being with a pure culture of the bacillus was necessary. Miss Mary Davies, an English nurse at the American Hospital, Neuilly, knowing this, took a room, and infected herself with the pure culture used in the experiments on guinea-pigs. Two hours afterwards symptoms of gas-gangrene developed, and she sent for Dr. Taylor, who injected a quinine solution, which he had found to be specific, and in twenty-four hours the patient was out of danger. The treatment is now followed in the American Ambulance.

PRO PATRIA.—One of the sons of M. Collard, Secretary of the General Association of French Pharmacists, has received the War Cross for his gallant conduct during an enemy attack on an ambulance in which he was serving as orderly. He has since received his commission as second-class assistant pharmacist (grade of sub-lieutenant). M. De Gorges, formerly house pharmacist at the Ivry Hospice, and now ambulance orderly, has been mentioned in an Order of the Day of the Army Corps for having volunteered to remain with some wounded men who could not be carried off, and for having "constantly given his comrades an example of courage."—The son of M. Kopp. principal pharmacist of the French Army, was killed in action after having performed several brave deeds.

# India and the East. (From the "C. & D." Correspondents.)

Cocaine-SMUGGLING .- Three wealthy Bengalis-father, mother, and son—who are alleged to be notorious cocaines mugglers, have been arrested in Calcutta by an Excise "trap." They are to be tried before the Chief Presidency

HOSTHE FIRMS.—Among the German firms in Calcutta whose licences have been cancelled is that of Holzmuller & Schmidt, who are to deposit all the assets of their business in British India with the Controller of Hostile Firms. The schedule contains the names of nine Calcutta

FOOD AND DRUG ADULTERATION.—The Simla correspondent FOOD AND DRUG ADULTERATION.—The Simla correspondent of the "Advocate of India" states that the reports of all the local Governments on the proposed Food and Drugs Bill have now reached the Government of India. It is understood that they generally favour taking action, though opinions are divided as to whether a more obvious course should be adopted of passing a general Act of the Imperial Council for the whole of India, giving powers to the provincial and municipal authorities to take necessary action to penalise the adulteration of food and drugs. action to penalise the adulteration of food and drugs.

Madras Government Cinchona,—The actual yield from Government cinchona plantations in Madras during 1914-15 was 349,451 lb., or 91,286 lb. less than in the previous year, when the acreage of old cinchona uprooted was 74,84 per cent. against 47,63. This supply was supplemented by purchases of 431,956 lb. of local bark. The total amount of bark worked up was 683,054 lb., compared with 564,762 lb. in 1913-14, and the actual output of quinine sulphate was 23,422 lb., a yield of 4,31 per cent. against 26,516 lb. or a yield of 4,70 per cent. The sales of quinine at post-offices increased by 367 lb., and the quantity disposed of through the agency of rev nue officials was even less than in 1913-14. With a view further to extend the use of quinine the Government drew up a scheme for sales on commission by vaccinators and elementarys shoot masters. There was a profit of Rs. 371,488, against Rs. 78,231 in the previous year. The bulk of this advance is due to much larger issues of matufactured products, but a sum of Rs. 155,373 is accounted for by higher valuation during the current year of bark or standing trees in Government estates. MADRAS GOVERNMENT CINCHONA.—The actual yield from of bark or standing trees in Government estates.

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Tiev her & Co., Lid.—The annual meeting was held in Bombay on August 31, Mr. A. M. Tod presiding. The directors, in the course of their report for the year ended March 31, 1915, state that, the results of the Poona branch being still unsatisfactory, they closed it in March, the tock being removed to Bembay and the building and fixtures sold for Rs. 42,500. During the year the directors have been endeavouring to reduce expenses and consolidate the business without prejudicing the working of the company. The actual trading expenses were considerably less than in 1913-14, and a still further saving may be effected during the current year. The stock is considerably less than last year. The purchases have also been less, and the turnover having been about the same, the directors have been able to accumulate funds to the extent of Rs. 1,10,000 in addition to Port Trust holdings. They therefore propose to distribute Rs. 2,5,000 by paying Rs. 125 per share out of the reserve fund, from which they transfer Rs. 2,000 to the credit of profit-and-loss account, which will then show a credit balance of Rrs. 2,462, his amount being carried forward. In moving the adoption of the report, the Chairman said with regard to the proposal of paying Rs. 125 per share from the reserve fund the company had suffered from a plethora of capital, and personally he was of opinion that the capital should be reduced by Rs. 2,50,000. The report was adopted.

#### South African News.

(From "C. & D." Correspondents.)

-The Chemist and Druggist" is supplied weekly to members of all the Chemists' Societies in South Africa.

#### Cape Province.

Business Prospects .- Our correspondent writes that business is good. Wholesale houses of all classes in Cape Town are doing splendid business with the newly acquired Colony (British South-West Africa), and Cape Town has every chance of becoming the market centre for that country. When the war is over and the country is settled and populated, there will be some fine openings for different trades and professions.

#### Natal.

Travellers' Movements.—Prominent representatives in Durban on September 1 included Mr. Frank Morrell, of F. Stearns & Co., who had been there for some weeks, and whose pleasant manner ensures him a good reception; also Mr. Hull, of Parke, Davis & Co., who always has a cordial

PRESENTATION.—A very pleasant function took place at Stranack & Williams' pharmacy at Durban on August 23. when Mr. W. Johnson was presented with a handsome toolchest on the occasion of his retirement, after thirty-five years' service, to his farm at Highflats. It was not Mr. Johnson's intention to leave the firm until the end of the year, but his departure was hastened owing to the fact that two of his sons have enlisted for overseas service.

A HEARTY CIVIC WELCOME HOME was given to the Second A Heart Civic Welcome Home was given to the Second Field Ambulance of the South African Medical Corps on their return to Durban from what was formerly German South-West Africa. The unit was entirely composed of Durban men, and eventually became the nucleus of a general hospital, which was the largest hospital organisation in the field. Between February and July 4,764 cases were dealt with 3.485 being medical and 1.279 surgical. Many members of the Corps are anxious to go to Flanders and the Dardanelles. and the Dardanelles.

# American Notes.

Making Dyes.—The "New York Commercial" reports the formation of the Middlesex Chemical Co. at Chester, Conn. with a million dollars capital, which is to manufacture aniline dyes by a secret process. The company recently discovered a black dye, of which there is a serious shortage.

Patent-medicine Registration.—On August 24 the Board of Health of the City of New York adopted regulations providing for the registration of the ingredients of patent medicines with the Department, under Section 117 of the Sanitary Code, which, however, does not take effect until December 31. 1915. Some of the leading proprietary manufacturers do not believe that the section is legal, and assert that they will not pay any attention either to the regulations or to the section. Nevertheless, the matter is causing a good deal of trouble.

Notice to Importers .- The "Board of Trade Journal" calls attention to the following notification, which the Bureau of Chemistry of the United States Department of Agriculture contemplates publishing in its Service and Regulatory Announcements, relative to foods and drugs which are offered for entry into the United States, and which may be detained because the labelling thereof does not meet the requirements of the Food and Drugs Act:

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"The attention of the Bureau of Chemistry has been called to the fact that certain classes of foods and drugs, misbranded within the meaning of the Food and Drugs Act, continue to be offered in importation into this country, notwithstanding the fact that previous shipments of identical articles have been detained on arrival, and released to importers only after they have been relabelled so as to cure the false and misleading statements or other misbranding on the labels. Hereafter when misbranded foods or drugs are offered for importation, and it appears that three previous shipments of identical articles, bearing identical labels, and made by the same manufacturer, have been detained and released only upon re-labelling, recommendation will be made to Customs officials that the articles be refused admission. This practice will be followed whether or not the importer offering the articles for entry imported any one of the previous shipments which were detained and released after re-labelling."

# Legal Reports.

#### Trade Law.

**Kosher Wine,** according to Mr. C. A. Adams, a Government ehemist, contains 16.7 per cent. of proof spirit, and is a British wine made with sugar, raisins, water, and yeast. Jacob Schwartz, Greenfield Street, Stepney, was, at Thames Police Court on September 29. fined 20*l*. for selling it without a wine-licence.

Company Dentistry.—At Belfast County Court, before Judge Craig last week, Thos. Fulton sued Cole & Co., Ltd., dental surgeons, 61 Great Victoria Street, Belfast, to recover 20l., damages sustained by reason of the want of skill and negligence of the defendants and their servants in extracting his teeth. His Honour said he was not fond of limited companies who carried on dentistry; the plaintiff was treated by three employes of the defendants, and only one of them was a qualified man. Anyone who undertakes to do dentistry work should show reasonable skill. A verdict for the plaintiff was entered, the damage being assessed at 10l.

Fertilisers and Feeding-stuffs Act.—At Ystrad-Rhondda (Glam.) last week, George & Co., chemists, Treherbert, were summoned on three counts for selling bonemeal which was really superphosphates and improperly invoicing the same. For the defence it was urged that as no invoice was asked for or given, but only a receipt, there could be no conviction for causing an invoice to be false. There had been no intention to palm off superphosphates for bone-meal. On the charge of failing to give an invoice defendants were fined 20s., and costs, and the other charges were dismissed. Mr. T. L. Mason, Gelli, charged with a similar offence, had his summons dismissed upon payment of costs.

Smuggling Optum.—At the Thames Police Court on September 28, four Chinese firemen were brought up for attempting to export opium from this country. The first elefendant was Lee Chang, who was charged with attempting to export 31½ lb. of opium, valued at 32ℓ. Mr. Hubbard, on behalf of the Customs and Excise, said the exportation of opium is prohibited to all destinations, and the penalty for contravention of the Order had been increased from 100ℓ, to 500ℓ, or imprisonment for a period not exceeding two years. Lee Chang was a fireman on the steamship Ingonia, and on his box being searched the opium was found. He stated that it was a year's supply for his own use. The Magistrate (Mr. Leycester) sentenced him to six months' imprisonment. For concealing 73 lb. of opium, valued at 73ℓ, on the same vessel, Ah Wing and Chang You were each sentenced to six months' imprisonment. Ah Song, for concealing 15 lb. of opium, received a similar sentence.

Exportation of Salol.—At the Mansion Police Court, London, before the Lord Mayor (Sir Charles Johnson), on Monday, September 27, David Schkolnik, chemical agent, Eastbury Terrace, Mile End, appeared in answer to two summonses charging him with having, on May 10 and 11, delivered at the Aldgate Post-office for exportation to Russia two packages containing salol, being an article which is prohibited to be exported from the United Kingdom by the King's Proclamation of February fast, contrary to the provisions of the Customs and Inland Revenue Act, 1879. Mr. Simpson, for the prosecution, said defendant was a Russian, until lately carrying on business as a chemical agent at 12 Aldgate. He attempted to export salol to Russia rid Norway without a licence from the Privy Council. The penalty for any infringement of the Act was originally 100%, but the Privy Council had increased it to 500%. At the time the defendant delivered the packages he made and signed a declaration to the effect that neither of them contained any article the exportation of which is prohibited. The defendant had made three applications to the Privy Council for a licence to export salol, and in each instance had been refused. Mr. Percy Renshaw, an officer of Customs, supported this statement by evidence, and his Lordship fined defendant 50s. on each summons.

Sale of Izal.—At the Salford County Court, before Judge J. Scott Fox, K.C., on September 27, the Pharmaceutical Society sought to recover from Cyril Wadeson Monk a penalty of 57. under Section 15 of the Pharmacy Act, 1868, in respect of the sale by him of Izal—a liquid containing considerably more than 3 per cent. of a homologue of carbolic acid, therefore a scheduled poison. It was alleged by the prosecution that the defendant was not qualified. Mr. H. Moon, Deputy Registrar of the Society, proved authority for the proceedings, but Mr. Cunningham

(for defendant) produced his client's certificate of qualification (for defendant) produced his client's certificate of qualification received from the Pharmaceutical Society. Mr. Moon consulted certain documents and intimated that defendant's name is on the Register, and Mr. Robson withdrew the case.—Three cases against John L. Smith & Co., Ltd., for the recovery of penalties for the sale of Izal at three shops of the company, were then heard. Mr. J. W. Robson stated, on behalf of the Society, that there was not a manager personally conducting the business in each shop, nor was the qualified person's certificate conspicuously dismanager personally conducting the business in each shop, nor was the qualified person's certificate conspicuously displayed. Mr. Arthur Foulds spoke to visiting defendants' shop at 180 High Street, Pendleton, and purchasing a bottle of Izal. He was served by Mr. Monk, and saw no certificate displayed anywhere in the shop. The Izal was marked "Poison." Cross-examined, he said he was now satisfied Mr. Monk was registered and qualified. Continuing, witness said he bought Izal at defendants' shop at 242 Stretford Road, where he was served by Mr. Storey, and he made a similar nurchase at their shop at 307 Chester. and he made a similar purchase at their shop at 307 Chester and he made a similar purchase at their slop at the Road, where he was served by Mr. Daneer. In neither case was there evidence of qualification. Mr. Thomas Road, where he was served by Mr. Daneer. In heither case was there evidence of qualification. Mr. Thomas Tickle, B.Sc., F.I.C., said 12 per cent. of carbolic-acid homologues was present in the articles purchased, and the Izal was a dangerous poison. In cross-examination witness said he had never known a ease of poisoning with Izal. He believed there was a warning against using the Izal internally, and thought there was another preparation intended for integral was. His Honour avantaging a bottle tended for internal use. His Honour, examining a bottle of Izal, drew attention to the label stating that Izal is safe in use, but owing to a recent interpretation of tho Pharmacy Act the makers are now compelled to label it "Poison." He thought the wording rather injudicious. It appeared to him to be liable to lead a person to think that it is not really poisonous in any substantial degree. Wr. Cunningham drew attention to statements which had Mr. Cunningham drew attention to statements which had been made by Dr. Tunnicliffe, of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, and by Dr. Knyvett Gordon on the desirability of pital, and by Dr. Knyvett Gordon on the desirability of using Izal internally, but witness said he had not heard of them, nor could he say whether Izal is used by public authorities as a disinfectant and given away to people to use for disinfecting-purposes. For the defence, Mr. Monk deposed that he had been employed by John L. Smith & Co., Ltd., at Pendleton since May 24, and had been in constant attendance at the shop, his certificate being on constant attendance at the shop, his certificate being on view either in the shop-window or inside the shop. Mr. Robson said he would withdraw the case so far as it related to the sale by Mr. Monk. Mr. Cunningham said that Storey and Dancer, who had sold the other bottles, were certainly unqualified, but they declared that Izal as a poison had only recently been notified, and they were not aware they were doing wrong at the time the transactions took place. Everything had been done openly, and John L. Smith & Co. felt that the Pharmaceutical Society had been unnecessarily severe upon them. As to Izal, he submitted that it was not in any sense a dangerous poison. mitted that it was not in any sense a dangerous poison. There had been no interference with its sale till recently, and nothing to direct the attention of defendants to the fact that its sale by them was likely to be an offence. Mr. Robson having replied, judgment was given for 101. against John L. Smith & Co. Ltd., and the Registra was asked by the Judge to exercise his discretion in regard to eosts. In the case of Mr. Monk, which was withdrawn by plaintiffs, defendant was allowed eosts. mitted that it was not in any sense a dangerous poison.

# Bankruptcy Report.

Re Compagnie Juvenileau, 97 Cannon Street, E.C., Perfume Manufacturers.—The first meeting of creditors was held at the London Bankruptcy Court on September 27, before Mr. E. Leadam Hough, Senior Official Receiver. The petition was lodged by the Dorland Agency, Ltd., advertising contractors. The Chairman reported that he knew very little about the firm's affairs as none of the partners had surrendered to the proceedings; in fact he (the Official Receiver) was not clear as to the names of the gentlemen constituting the firm. The only assets were said to consist of trade-marks, and there appeared to be no factory or stock in this country. From affidavits which had been produced in the course of the bankruptcy proceedings it appeared that the manager of the Cannon Street branch closed the office and removed the books about the time when war was declared, and he was believed to have joined the French army. No business had been transacted since the outbreak of war. The firm had also carried on business at Brussels and Geneva, but all work had been controlled from Paris, and all goods had been despatched from the latter city branch. The case was left in the bands of the Official Receiver to be wound up.

# Deed of Arrangement.

Moses, Henry Chadwick, 26 High Street, Plymouth Grove, Manchester, chemist and druggist.—Trustee, P. S. Booth, 2 Bixteth Street, Liverpool, accountant. Dated, September 18; filed, September 24. Secured creditors, 20%; liabilities unsecured, 429%; estimated net assets, 235% The creditors include Apollinaris, Ltd. (3%); The British Drug Houses, Ltd. (10%); Parke, Davis & Co. (3%); J. Morgan Richards & Co. (3%); J. Timpson & Co., Ltd. (3%); Vinolia Co. (3%); Evans Sons Lescher & Webb, Ltd. (218%); Heath Bros. (3%); R. Gibson & Sons (6%); and Jewsbury & Brown (5%).

### Trade-Marks.

Objections to the registration of any of the undermentioned applications must be stated on Form T.M. No. 7 (obtainable at Money Order Offices for £1) and lodged with the Registrar of Trade-Marks, Patents Office, 25 Southampton Buildings, Chancery Lane, London, W.C. The prescribed time is one month from the date of the Journal in which the application has appeared; but the period may be enlarged by the Registrar, if he thinks fit, and upon such terms as he may direct. Formal opposition should not be lodged until after notice has been given by letter to the applicant for registration, so as to afford him an opportunity of withdrawing his mark before the expense of preparing the notice of opposition is incurred. Failing such notice to the applicant, an opponent may not obtain an order for costs.

The figures in parentheses refer to the classes in which the marks are grouped, for a list of which, with particulars as to registration, see "The Chemist and Druggist Diary," 1915, p. 435.

(From the "Trade-marks Journal," September 22, 1915.) Swastika device: for a bleach and for soda (1). By Electro-Bleach and By-Products, Ltd., 63 Victoria Street, S.W. 365,665.

"EBONALL" for paints, varnishes, and colours (1) Charles Huggins, 92 Stroud Green Road, N. 368.237.

Oblong device, with fire and words "THE IMMOVABLE FIRE CEMENT," "FENSOL"; for fire-resisting cement (1). By the K. G. Timber Co., Ltd., King's Lynn, Norfolk. 366,832. (Associated.)
"LEWMEND"; for chemicals, etc. (1). By Henry Matthews & Co., Ltd., Lewin's Mead, Bristol. 363,304.

"Manganin"; for incendiary chemicals (1). By James F. Buckingham, 159 Spon Street, Coventry. 368,788.
"Dessico"; for glue (1). By J. & G. Cox, Ltd., Gorgie Mills, Edinburgh. 368,975.

Device including sink and hand with sprinkler-top tin and words "Health in the Home," "Sanicless," "Sanicless

"Isco": for fertilisers (2). By the Fleetwood Fish Meal Co., Ltd., Fleetwood, Lancs. 368,274. (Associated.)

"Cresolea": for a disinfecting-spray (2). By Campion, Innes & Co., Ltd., Hatton Garden, E.C. 368,679.
"Sanicuto": for all goods (3). By J. G. Robinson and C. Lowe, 8 Dene Crescent, Shotton Colliery, co. Durham, 762,461 368.464.

"FLEYZA"; for a medicine for human use (3). By John William Hanson, 13 Bently Grove, Meanwood, Leeds.

"Licromixt": for a medicine for human use (3), Cupal, Ltd., Phœuix Mill, Blackburn. 368.825.

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"CLIMIC": for all goods (8). By Connolly Bros., Ltd., Blackley, Manchester. 368.632. (Associated.)

"VIMLETS": for an animal-food (42). By the Molassine Co., Ltd., Tunnel Avenue, East Greenwich, Kent, and 28 Mark Lane, E.C. 368.572. (Associated.)

Device including three dogs holding scroll bearing word "Kencream"; for an animal-food (42). By Prideaux's Pure Casein and Life Food Co., 10 Hop Exchange, Southwark Street, S.E. 368.678.

"Bruno"; for tartaric acid, cream of tartar, and substitutes therefor, baking-powders, etc. (42). By the British Wheat Salts Co., Birmingham. 368,785.
"Karki": for an aërated, non-medicinal beverage (44).

By Smith & Thomas, 27 Barden Lane, Burnley, 367,402, "SEBOLINE," in facsimile writing: for perfumery (48). By W. C. Ribbeck, 190 Great Brunswick Street, Dublin, 368.682.

# Limited Companies.

#### New Companies Registered. P.C. means Private Company and R.O. Registered Office.

ZINC OXIDE MANUFACTURING CO. LTD. (P.C.).—Capital 5,000/. R.O., 38 Drury Buildings, Water Street, Liverpool.

LUTON CHEMICAL-WORKS, LTD. (P.C.).—Capital 25,000/\_The first directors are B. Laporte, The Bungalow, Harpenden, Herts, chemical-manufacturer, R. Stewart, H. Arnold, and H. E. Alcock.

WILLIAMS DRUG CO., LTD. (FOREIGN COMPANY).—Registered in Bombay, India. British address: 107 Bishopsgate, E.C., where H. H. McCarthy & Co. are authorised to accept service. Directors: H. H. McCarthy and F. Williams, 107 Bishopsgate, E.C.

J. F. Rowley, Ltd. (P.C.).—Capital 2.000l., to carry on the business of manufacturers of and dealers in artificial limbs and surgical appliances, and as chemists and druggists, etc. The first directors are A. Leach and W. E. Isle. R.O., 49 Finsbury Pavement, E.C.

ACTOSE MANUFACTURING Co., Ltd. (P.C.).—Capital 10,000l.: To carry on the business of manufacturers of and dealers in cellulose acctate, and substitutes therefor, and the business of chemists, druggists, etc. Solicitors, Durrant, Cooper & Hambling, 70-71 Gracechurch Street,

F. W. Hampshire & Co., Ltd. (P.C.).—Capital 15,000l.: To take over the business of F. W. Hampshire, manufacturing chemist, Riverside Works, Derby, and to carry on the same and the business of wholesale, retail, and dispensing chemists, druggists, etc. The first directors are F. W. Hampshire (permanent governing director) and Mrs. E. K. Hampshire.

BLONDEAU ET CIE., LTD. (P.C.).—Capital 1,0001.: To carry on the business of soap makers, perfumers, farmers, live-stock breeders, curers, preservers, millers, engineers, con-tractors, refiners, miners, manufacturers of and dealers. in tallow, oil, glycerin, chemicals, colours, dynamite and other explosives, fats, cattle and horse foods, metal and furniture polishes, etc. The subscribers are Wm. Hulme Lever, Lower Bebington, and Edmund V. Salaman, Rock

PELHAM STRGICAL INSTRUMENT CO., LTD. (P.C.).—Capital. 5,000/.: To take over a leasehold interest for a term of years of and in certain properties in the rear of 27 and 29 Pelham Street. Nottingham, by the said J. Selby, G. H. Pannell, and J. Brown, trading as "Gray & Selby," and to carry on the business of manufacturers and sellers of surgical appliances and instruments. The first directors are J. Selby, G. H. Pannell, and J. Brown (managing director). R.O., Cobden Chambers, Pelham Street, Nottingham.

#### Company News.

THE BANDONG (JAVA) QUININE-FACTORY has declared a dividend of 28½ per cent. for 1914, against 17½ per cent. for 1913.

For 1913.

EDWARD COOK & Co., LTD.—At the annual meeting helds at the Soapery, Bow. London, E., on September 24, the Chairman (Mr. Thos. Alex. Cook), in the course of his speech, said that about 35 per cent. of the staff are now serving with the Colours, including two directors, Captain E. Leonard Cook and Captain S. Godfrey Hall. The company's balance-sheet for the past year showed steady and persistent progress of the business as the result of improvement in every department. During the year the company had been busy with Government contracts, but the goods had been supplied at ordinary trade prices and terms in competition with many other makers. Their profits were not "war profits," but steady trade profits made in spite of the war. The toilet-soap department, which had been equipped with new and most modern machinery, had worked full time with increased staff. The company's export trade had increased substantially, and, in spite of small losses sustained by the absence of orders from Germany. Turkey, and Austria, is well ahead of any corresponding period. Concluding, the Chairman paid a tribute to the loyalty and devotion of the staff, and he was justifiably proud to know that so many of them have been willing to risk their lives for their county. was justifiably proud to know that so many of them have been willing to risk their lives for their country. The company had been through a period of unprecedented difficulties, but, in the opinion of the directors, it now rests on a sounder, safer, and more assured basis than before.

## Increased Medicine-duties.

Enforcement of double duties on dutiable medicines was on Tuesday evening postponed from Wednesday, September 29, to Wednesday, October 20. We report here a speech in the House of Commons by Mr. W. S. here a speech in the House of Commons by Mr. W. S. Glyn-Jones, M.P., and meetings of the Proprietary Articles Section of the London Chamber of Commerce and of the Proprietary Articles Trade Association, which united to ask the Chancellor of the Exchapter to postpone the incidence, and, on the recommendation of the Commissioners of Customs and Excise, Mr. McKenna agreed. Reports received from various centres and the latest from Parliament are also given.

#### Official Announcement.

We stated last week (p. 64) that the Commissioners of Customs and Excise would issue a statement regarding the new duties to every licensed vendor of dutiable medicines. There were 42,751 such vendors (including manufacturers, retailers, and wholesalers) in Great Britain in the year which ended on March 31. The statement was issued by the Commissioners on Friday, September 24, and as a document of considerable historic interest we append a facsimile of it.



By Resolution of the House of Commons, dated the 21st September, 1915, the rates of this duty have been DOUBLED as from the 29th September inclusive. The new rates of duty are as follows:

For and upon every Packet, Box, Bottle, Pot, Phial, or other enclosure containing any Drugs, Herbs, Pills, Waters, Essences, Tinctures, Powders, or other Preparation or Composition whatsoever used or applied, externally or internally, as Medicines or Medicaments for the Prevention, Cure, or Relief of any Disorder or Complaint incident to or in anywise affecting the Human Body, which shall be uttered or vended in Great Britain, where such Packet, Box, Bottle, Pot, Phial, or other enclosure with its Contents shall not exceed the Price or 2 c d. Value of One Shilling 0 0 3

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Any articles stamped with the existing rates of duty must, on and after the 29th September, be stamped with the additional duty before being sold, or exposed to sale. Any person selling any dutiable medicine unstamped OR NOT PROPERLY STAMPED incurs a penalty of £10 in respect of every offence.

Medicine Stamps can be obtained at the office of any Distributor of Stamps or from any Collector of Customs and Excise who is also a Distributor of Stamps from the office of the Controller of Stamps at Somerset House or on giving notice at a Money Order Post Office.

House, or, on giving notice, at a Money Order Post Office.

Custom House, London. September, 1915.

The original is on buff paper measuring 13 in. by 8 in. Two misprints occur in the above; 3s. in the £ s. d. column should be 4s., and 10s. should be 6s. The Commissioners of Customs and Excise inform us that they will be issuing another circular correcting these errors and dealing with the altered date.

#### In the House of Commons.

Consideration of the Budget proposals was resumed in Committee of Ways and Means on Thursday aftermoon, September 23, and in the course of the debate Mr. Glyn-Jones caught the Speaker's eye. The following is his contribution to the debate as "taken down" by the C. & D. representative in the gallery:

I wish to refer to the proposal to double the duties on what are wrongly called "patent medicines." The proper

designation is really "proprietary medicines." The object of this increase is either to raise revenue or to discourage consumption, or to achieve both those ends. The right hon, gentleman established a Departmental Committee, which sat for about two years, and reported on August 4, 1914, on the whole question of these proprietary medicines. I do not propose to trouble the House with anything but one fact. They found this: "That these remedies are of a widely different cha-

racter, comprising:
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(b) Unobjectionable remedies for simple ailments; and
(c) Many secret remedies making grossly exaggerated
claims of efficacy, causing injury by leading sick persons
to delay in securing medical treatment; containing in
disguise large proportions of alcohol; sold for improper
purposes; professing to cure disease incurable by medication; or essentially and deliberately fraudulent."
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In other words, that Committee divided these medicines, all of which are at present taxable, into three classes: Firstly, genuine scientific preparations; secondly, unobjectionable simple remedies for simple ailments: and thirdly, those which were objectionable from the point of view that they were either dangerous or fraudulent. If the object of this tax is to raise revenue, surely it is an illogical and unscientific tax. I cannot think that the right hon, gentleman thinks it for a moment, but if any body in the House thinks that by this tax you are going to reach some of the profits of the so-called millionaires who are making great fortunes out of proprietary medicines, it is quite a mistake, because of all the indirect taxes that I know there is no tax easier to pass on to the consumer than the tax upon a proprietary article. It is quite obvious that this additional tax will be borne by the consumer. In the great majority of eases the consumer belongs to the industrial classes. So much the better, it may be said: this will be one of the ways the Chancellor may have of getting the industrial portion of the population to bear their proper share of the burden. But the right hon, gentleman must see that the portion of the industrial classes you are taxing in this case are the sick, and to suggest hon, gentleman thinks it for a moment, but if any body in you are taxing in this case are the sick, and to suggest that you are to take advantage of the man who needs one or other of these first two classes that the Committee refers to—namely, those that desire to take genuine scientific preparations or unobjectionable remedies for simple ailments—is, I think, not arguable.

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It may be said that this tax has a double object: that it is intended, and should be used, to curtail the consumption of these articles. The Chancellor says that the extra yield of the new taxes will come to 250,000%, which means that on the present estimate—that is, the present amount realised, 330,000%—that the Chancellor is budgeting for a decrease in these medicines of 12½ per cent. I do not think he will argue that it is a proper thing to seek to lessen the consumption of the first two classes referred to by the Committee. He may argue that he wants to reach the third class—those medicines which are fraudulent or harmful. Surely, if that is so, this is the most absurd way that I know to deal with the matter. What does it amount to? To this: to say that if there are fraudulent or harmful medicines being sold to-day, on which the right hon, gentleman takes a stamp of 1½% in the shilling, that it is an improper thing, and should be stopped: but that it a quack or fraudulent maker is prepared, with the help of the Government, to go on defrauding or poisoning his victims, he may do that, provided that the victim in addition pays in the future an extra tax on his bottle. Really it is absurd to try to protect the ignorant from the third class of proprietary medicines by making him pay an extra 1½%, while being so defrauded and injured.

What, however, I do want specially to ask the aftention of the Government to is this: September 29 has been fixed as the date upon which these new taxes are payable. Only this afternoon the manager of a large firm of wholesalers handling these things told me that of six articles alone he has to-day in his warehouse a sufficient number to require 53.512 extra stamps. I hope the House understands that these articles are now stamped. That is just one instance. That manager will have to unpack in all sorts of forms and in all kinds of cases these various articles, and they will have to be reopened an It may be said that this tax has a double object: that it

meeting of the trade this afternoon was that it was really a physical impossibility to restamp the existing stocks by September 29. They are asking the Government, if they are to proceed with the tax—because this trade, as all other trades, is not going to carry to any length their protest at such a time as this against the additional tax—to consider the facts. They say the Government should be reasonable in these matters. Incidentally, may I say that it is not many months since the Government were dealing with spirits? They made a hopeless muddle of the matter

in so far as it applies to medicines. Complaint was then and that the authorities did not approach the people who understood the business in order to hear what they had to say about it. What has happened in regard to these medicines? So far as we have been able to ascertain, the Government have consulted no one whatever who could give hem any definite knowledge based upon actual experience. them any definite knowledge based upon actual experience. The consequence is that they put forward this proposal, which from a practical point of view is impossible. I know perfectly well that the Government cannot give the public notice of ordinary indirect taxation. The Government cannot call a trade together and say, "We shall proceed in the Budget to tax tea, or coffee, or cocoa." In regard, however, the three week leaves the consequence of force or cocoa." however, to these medicines there was no danger of fore-stalment. Forestalment cannot take place, because the tax is payable as announced. The best evidence that the tax could not be forestalled is that the resolution gives the trade a week's notice, so, if there was any forestalling to be done, there was a week in which to do it. It is quite clear a week's notice, so, if there was any forestalling to be done, there was a week in which to do it. It is quite clear that the reason that those dealing with these matters were not consulted was not the danger of the tax being forestalled. I do say to the Government that the business men who are not politicians have to judge the capacity of the Government by what they understand. When business men have a proposal such as this, expecting that the impossible should be done by September 29, what do they say? They say: "If this is how the Government act in matters that we can understand, we can quite accept the stories of muddling in other directions." I want to make an appeal to the Government that they will, at any rate, give some further time for this stamping to be done; that they will receive a deputation from the trade, and hear what these gentlemen have to say, with the view of making some modification in the incidence of the tax. I can only again say that I do hope the Government will sooner or later learn that there are people in all trades whom they can trust, and that they might just as well take advantage of any absolute technical knowledge that can be given them, as this is the second instance in a trade that I know something about of making what the responsible people in the trade realise to be unprecessary blunders and know something about of making what the responsible people in the trade realise to be unnecessary blunders, and giving unnecessary trouble not only to themselves, but to the Department. I ask the House to forgive me for having raised this matter, but it was my only opportunity of dealing with it, in order that if anything is done at all it should be dealed the should be done before September 29.

#### Manufacturers' Meetings.

A meeting of the Council of the Proprietary Articles Trade Association was held in the Salisbury Hotel, Fleet Street, London, on Thursday afternoon, September 25, Mr. William Edwards presiding, when the following resolution was a reed to and ordered to be forwarded to the Chancellor of the Exchequer (t'. & D., September 25, p. 49 :

"That the Association protests against the increase in the medicine stamp-duty on proprietary medicines, on the ground that sick persons who are consumers of proprietary medicines against which no complaint can be made will be called upon to lear the burden, and that, if the object of the tax is to lessen the consumption of such articles as may be considered objectionably, this should be dealt with other

It was also decided to ask for an alteration in the scale as follows:

Further, to urge the adoption of a small adhesive stamp to represent the additional duty which could be placed upon the outside of the package. The following were appointed to form a deputation to the Chancellor:

Manufacturers' Section: Mr. T. Hinds (Scott and Bowne) and Mr. Page Woodcock.

Wholesule Section: Mr. E. Pickering (F. Newbery & Sons, Ltd.) and Mr. G. H. Burroughs (J. Thompson, Ltd.).

Retail Section: Mr. C. B. Allen and Mr. J. Keall. Or to combine with any deputation appointed by the manu-

The Proprietary Articles Section of the London Cham-The Proprietary Articles Section of the London Chamber of Commerce met in the house of the Chamber on Friday, September 24, at 2.30 p.m., when, in the absence of the Chairman (Sir Joseph Beecham). Mr. T. Wylde (Keatings, Ltd.) was voted to the chair. The meeting was largely attended. Mr. Kenningham (Condy & Mitchell, Ltd.) explained at the outset that in the name

of the Chairman he had telegraphed to the Chancellor of the Exchequer explaining that the time allowed for the incidence of the new duty was too short, and asking for delay. A general discussion followed, the members being practically unanimous about the futility of protesting against the additional duty, and various expedients for overcoming the difficulties were discussed. appeared that these difficulties were:

(1) A famine in stamps, which were unobtainable in London at the time.

(2) Enormous demand on labour and time in merely affixing the stamps.

(3) Probable spoiling of the packets of medicines.

In the course of the discussion it was mentioned that one distributor alone had nearly a million packets of dutiable medicines in stock which were to be restamped before September 29, and the necessary stamps were un-obtainable. It was suggested that the Excise Commissioners should in the meantime surcharge postage-stamps for additional stamping; these would be better than the ordinary medicine-stamp, but the suggestion most favoured was that there should be a special war stamp. Mr. John C. Umney promised to put these and other suggestions before Sir Arthur Tedder, Commissioner of Customs, with whom he was having an interview that afternoon. The meeting did not agree with the P.A.T.A Council's resolution, and thought that it would be better to concentrate upon an appeal to the Chancellor to postpone enforcement of the double .lutv.

All this was of a conversational nature, and the members were guided by the solicitor to the Section (Mr. T. McKenna, brother of the Chancellor), who was of opinion that it would be waste of time to oppose the tax, which he considered to be permanent. The members adjourned to the meeting of the Manufacturers' Section of the P.A.T.A. in the Salisbury Hotel at 3 o'clock.

At the amalgamated meeting Mr. Hinds, on the motion of Mr. Umney, took the chair. He deprecated opposition to the tax, and after a statement from Mr. Glyn-Jones it was agreed not to oppose the new duties. The question of delay was then gone into and the following resolution was adopted:

"That this meeting, while protesting against the proposed taxation, does not at the present time wish to press its objection: but, in view of the short time elapsing before the new taxes on proprietary and patent medicines come into force, and the impossibility of complying with the requirements of the Customs, the Chancellor of the Exchequer be asked to postpone the working of the taxes until November 1 or until such later date as shall be twenty-one days after the authorities have supplied the necessary additional stamps." tional stamps.

It was agreed to adopt the P.A.T.A. Council's proposal, and the following were appointed to act with P.A.T.A. members as a joint deputation:

Mr. J. C. Umney (Wright, Layman & Umney, Ltd.).
Mr. Glover (Thomas Beecham).
Mr. Ratcliffe (A. J. White, Ltd.).
Mr. Kenningham (Condy & Mitchell, Ltd.).
Mr. J. Lawson (Boots, Ltd.).
Mr. McClellan (Foster, McClellan & Co.).

"One Who was Present" informs us that a retail member stated that there had been a considerable run on patent medicines, the public buying in increased quantities, and since the announcement of the increase he had sold 50 per cent, more patent medicines. Another gentleman suggested that not only should the patent medicines be stamped, but also colourable imitations of the same. To this suggestion Mr. Glyn-Jones replied that colourable imitations should not be legally sold; the remedy for this is the Law Courts, and it is no use going to the Chancellor of the Exchequer with a demand of this kind. The gentleman who made the suggestion said that the imitations that he particularly referred to were the preparations in the "Codex" which had been got up to run against patent medicines: these ought to bear a Revenue stamp. It was agreed that retailers should put stamps on their present stocks. Mr. Glover (Beecham's) remarked that already they had stamped a very large quantity of medicines so as to be ready by September 29. the date mentioned in The Chemist and Druggist. Mr. Lawson (Boots') said that Sir Jesse Boot suggested that there should still be a 1½d. stamp for 6d. goods, thus enabling the 7½d. article to be continued. "One Who was Present" informs us that a retail member

Separate meetings of the Retail and Wholesale Sections of the P.A.T.A. Council were held, and their suggestions were submitted to the Executive Committee on Monday afternoon, September 27. The Executive recommended that in the changes of prices consequent on the increased duty which P.A.T.A. manufacturers found it necessary to make, they be asked to maintain the present percentage of profit, and that in those cases where for exceptional reasons the Association had accepted less than the standard percentage of profit, they would take this opportunity to readjust their prices so as to bring them up to the standard.

#### Official Interviews.

At the request of the Chancellor the deputation were received on Monday at 4.30 P.M. at the Customs House. They were accompanied by Mr. T. McKenna, Solicitor to the Proprietary Articles Section of the London Chamber of Commerce; Mr. F. J. Smith, of Messrs. Sangers; and Mr. Wm. Johnston, Secretary of the Chemists' Defence Association. The Commissioners undertook to report the result to the Chancellor.

On Tuesday, at twelve 'o'clock, Mr. Glyn-Jones met at the Treasury Mr. Montagu, the Financial Secretary, and the officials of the Treasury and the Customs and Excise. As a result of the interview it was arranged that he should put an urgent question that afternoon in the House.

#### Incidence Postponed to October 20.

Mr. W. S. Glyn-Jones, M.P., asked the Chancellor of the Exchequer at the close of questions in the House of Commons on Tuesday afternoon, September 28, a question of which he had given him private notice. It was as follows:

Whether he has considered the representations which have been made to him regarding the great difficulties in the way of re-stamping by to-morrow the existing stocks of articles liable to patent-medicine duty, and whether he

is now prepared to make an announcement on the subject.

Mr. McKenna: The Commissioners of Customs and Excise, who have discussed this matter with the representatives of the trade, have reported to me that, in their opinion, a good case has been made out for postponing the operation of the duty, and I propose therefore to ask the House to-morrow to agree to a postponement to Octo-

We understand that the Proprietary Articles Trade Association immediately informed by telegram and telephone leading manufacturers and others of this result, and posted the following statement the same evening to all members of the Association:

"The Association has been busily engaged in trying to convince the authorities of the enormous difficulties of having existing stocks of medicines re-stamped by Wednesday, September 29. They have succeeded. Patent medicines need not be stamped with the extra duties to-morrow. Wednesday, the original date fixed. The Government have postponed the date when it will be necessary to sell to the public the medicines bearing the increased duties until October 20. It is possible that a small adhesive stamp will be provided for use on articles bearing stamps at the present rate. This notice is being sent to members of the Association in view of the fact that otherwise they would not have known how to act until "The Association has been busily engaged in trying to otherwise they would not have known how to act until they received a notification in the trado papers at the week-end."

On the report of the Budget resolutions in the House of Commons on Wednesday, September 29, the matter again came up, and was disposed of as follows:

Mr. McKenna: I beg to move: "That the words 'twenty-ninth day of September' ["That the Excise Duties now Mr. McKenna: I beg to move: "That the words twenty-ninth day of September' ["That the Excise Duties now payable on medicines shall on and after the twenty-ninth day of September"] be left out, and the words 'twentieth day of October' be inserted instead thereof." It was represent that say of october be inserted instead thereof. It was represented to the Treasury and to the Customs Department that there would be very grave and, in fact, insuperable difficulties in restamping large quantities of patent medicines which had already been stamped, and that reasonable time that the trade to see that trade to see the trade to see th must be given to the trade to enable them to conform with the law. In view of those representations, which we were quito satisfied were fair, reasonable, and honest representations, wo ask the House to postpone the operation of the resolution on the tax from September 29 to October 20. I believe, in addition to this concession, that as a matter of practice we shall have to admit of the use of an ordinary postage-stamp, properly cancelled, instead of the large special stamp which is usually affixed to patent-medicine bottles, but that is a mere matter of machinery for which

no Parliamentary authority is necessary.
Sir H. Dalziel: Can the right hon, gentleman say whether the dates he suggests are the dates suggested by the deputa-

tion and satisfy the trade?

Mr. McKenna: I understand so. I understand that they satisfy both the Customs Department and the trade.

Mr. Glyn-Jones: The trade is very grateful to the Chancellor of the Exchequer for this extension of time. It would have been, as he says, absolutely impossible for them to have prepared their stocks by to-day, and the small stamp which I understand he has promised to provide small stamp which I understand he has promised to provide will also enable them quite definitely to have their goods ready for legal sale by October 20. There is one other matter which I should like to press upon the Chancellor of the Exchequer. The trade also made a further suggestion about the alteration of the scale. There has really been no time between the receipt of the deputation by the Chancellor of the Exchequer and trades for him to have Chancellor of the Exchequer and to day for him to have fully considered what they had to say about the scale on which the duty is based, but I ask him before the Finance Act is drafted to be good enough to carefully consider tho proposals which they made, not to modify the stamps, but values which the stamps are to carry.

It was accordingly resolved:

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"That the Excise duties now payable on medicines shall, on and after the twentieth day of October, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be doubled, and a duty shall be charged on the first sale on or after the twentieth day of October, nineteen hundred and fifteen, of any medicines on which the duty now payable has been paid equal to the amount of the duty originally paid.

"And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913."

#### How the Public Takes It.

We have received a number of independent reports from chemists as to the attitude of customers at the counter, and subjoin them without comment:

BRIGHTON.—The few customers who have mentioned the increase in the duties have done so in no antagonistic spirit.

CARDIFF.—I received a wire from Mr. Glyn-Jones to the effect that the stamp-duty was postponed till October 20. and under the circumstances I notified all chemists of the Association to this effect.

DUNDEE.—The official notice of increase of medicine stampduty was in the hands of Dundee chemists by Monday night. Shortly after the Stamp-office opened on Tuesday morning the stock of stamps was exhausted. Fresh supplies were promised for Wednesday morning. Several callers had made the suggestion that  $1\frac{1}{2}d$ ., 3d., and 6d. postagestamps would be a convenient substitute in size and in being gummed, besides being easily recognisable by purchasers as the addition required by law. A large sum of money was drawn at the Stamp-office on Wednesday morning before the officials in charge were made aware of the postponement of the new duty. The intimation appeared in the local papers' Parliamentary report.

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Mr. James Anderson writes: "Dundomans are very loyal, and were contentedly prepared to pay the double duty on patents. Nevertheless, their loyalty did not prevent them buying up as many of their popular remedies as they possibly could before the 29th, and few of our chemists have any stock of those left. The extra three weeks allowed for the proper stamping of the stocks is a very proper concession, as the time originally allowed was nothing like enough."

EDINBURGH.—The increased medicine duties have been well received. Actual purchases have brought home to consumers the true meaning of the increase. The addito consumers the true meaning of the increase. The addition of  $1\frac{1}{2}d$ , to an article sold at  $10\frac{1}{2}d$ , is not greatly resented; but 1s.  $2\frac{1}{2}d$ , for one advertised at 1s.  $1\frac{1}{2}d$ , and usually sold at 1s. 1d. is regarded as robbery; and the extra 6d. on the 4s. 6d. sizes is regarded as prohibitive. "Threepence duty on a shilling tube of tooth-paste," said one client. "No more for me at that price, thank you." Proprictors of stamped advertised medicines would do well to reduce, where possible, the price corresponding to the increase in duty so as to maintain the price to which purchasers have been accustomed.

GLASGOW.—The news of Mr. Glyn-Jones's success in secur-

ing postponement of the new tax has been hailed with satisfaction all over Scotland. Especially pleasing is it to wholesalers. Arrangements are on foot in various centres for a uniform increase in prices not only of stamped

patents, but of all proprietaries and drugs.

LIVERPOOL.—Members of the trade and their assistants have had a busy time in affixing the additional duty stamps have had a busy time in affixing the additional duty-stamps to patent medicines for sale on or after September 29. In many cases late hours were worked on Tuesday night, but all felt that they were "doing their bit," or a portion of their bit, for the sake of a trade cause. At the meeting of chemists on Wednesday (p. 56) Mr. Last drew attention to the postponement of the duties. Nothing was generally known of the result of the deputation until Tuesday evening. Telephone messages were then sent round by wholesalers to retail chemists. Wherever the message reached its destination the stamp-licking was stopped and thanks passed for the three weeks of breathing time. In numerous cases, though, the message missed fire, and the stamp-licking went on merrily and with patriotic fervour, but the portion of stock stamped will have to be set aside until October 20. Many pharmacists sold at the increased priese on Wednesday until the respite became known to them. them.

Manchester.—I served two customers this morning before I knew that the duty had been postponed. One customer I charged 9d. for a 7½d. article. No objection or comment. The other had a 2s. 9d. Angiers, on which I put an additional 3d. stamp, when the customer remarked in an optimistic kind of tone, "Well, I suppose we ean't all fight, so we must pay." I learnt later that the increased duty was suspended until October 20. It is a great pity these decisions are not made sooner and officially. It would save all the confusion which has arised to-day. all the confusion which has arisen to-day.

SOUTHAMPION.—No grumbling so far as we are concerned; 5s. paid readily for Scott's Emulsion. "Has the Budget come into force already?" asked one customer. This was before the P.A.T.A. notice was received on Wednesday forenoon. An experienced trader is strongly of opinion that the new tax will kill the "patents" business.

# Westminster Wisdom.

By the "C. & D." Parliamentary Representative.

BACTERISED PEAT.

Mr. Ginnell is next week addressing questions to the Departments of Agriculture in England and Ireland as to grants towards experiments and research in bacterised peat as a fertiliser.

#### CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES AND INCOME-TAX.

The suggestion is being made to the Chancellor of the Exchequer by Lord Claud Hamilton, M.P., that the large profits made by ex-operative societies should be assessed for income-tax. It is felt that as these bodies compete against the ordinary trader they have hitherto received an undue

#### LORD HALDANE'S POSITION.

The Prime Minister informed Sir Richard Cooper, M.P.. in the House of Commons on Tuesday that Lord Haldane is still Chairman of the Board of Trade Committee on

the Supply of Chemical products.
Sir Richard Cooper: Is Lord Haldane taking part the administration of any Government Department? The Prime Minister: I don't know why that question is put, and I do not think I am called upon to answer it.

#### SHOP-ASSISTANTS AND THE WAR.

Our Parliamentary correspondent understands that the Report of the Departmental Committee appointed by the Home Secretary to investigate the question of recruiting in the various business establishments throughout the country is about to be issued. It has been demonstrated that as many as 350,000 shop-assistants and others have joined the Colours sinco the commencement of the war. The Committee make certain recommendations, which will, it is thought, still further stimulate national patriotism.

#### THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONS.

In reply to Mr. Hogge in the House of Commons on Wednesday, the Prime Minister stated that the question of the reorganisation of the departments of the National Insurance Commissions is under the consideration of the Retrenchment Committee, presided over by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and until that report is received he is unable to make any announcement on the matter. The hon, member had asked whether the separate existence of the Scottish Insurance Commission is threatened, as has been suggested in the public Press. been suggested in the public Press.

#### SPIRIT FOR HOSPITALS.

In the House of Commons on Wednesday, Mr. Percy Harries, M.P., asked the Chancellor of the Exchequer whether he intends to introduce a clause in the Finance. whether he intends to introduce a clause in the Finance. Bill to provide the relief from spirit-duty promised to hospitals; if not, will he bring it in as a Vote in Supply; and whether, if the latter course is pursued, there will be any delay in the receipt of this relief by the hospitals.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer replied that he proposed to submit a Vote in Supply at the earliest suitable possible convertinity.

opportunity.

Mr. Leif Jones inquired whether the right hon, gentleman could not see the propriety of basing the amount of the rebate on the number of patients treated.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer was understood to say

that it is proposed to proceed upon other principles.

#### HIGH-GRADE CHEMICALS.

Apart from Mr. Glyn Jones's speech on the doubled medicine-duty, Sir Richard Cooper, Bart., spoke on September 23 on the Budget proposals. He said he believed he was right in reminding the Committee that the means by which the Government have thought it right to obtain sulphuric acid for their requirements, in the light of information which has been brought before the public, is only another case where extravagance is being incurred unnecessarily. The War Office is pressing for the supply, at almost any cost, of certain high-grade chemicals which have not hitherto been produced here. One or two, or more, men get together, and say: "The War Office want these things. They will pay almost any price for them; we can produce them at a much lower cost, and we may as well make them and pocket the money ourselves." After all, that is only human. This thing happened just before the Budget came out. The men said: "If we put our money into a factory, and start making these high-grade chemicals, and the Government are going to take the profits, and when the war is over we are going to be subject again to dumping from abroad, it will be better for us to go to the United States at once and start making the chemicals there, as we shall be safe afterwards, and another case where extravagance is being incurred unnecesthe chemicals there, as we shall be safe afterwards, and more than that the British Government cannot touch our profits, and cannot take a penny of them." The honourable baronet vouched for the accuracy of this statement.

# Wills.

MR. HENRY SPOURS DAVISON, chemist and druggist. Gateshead, who died on July 22, left estate valued at 661%. 12%, 6d. gross.

THE late William Harvey Julyan, J.P., Penzance, formerly in business as a chemist at Clifton, left estate of 8,2961, 8s. 10d. gross personalty.

#### London Panel Committee.

At last week's meeting the Departmental Committee's Report on the Drug Tariff was fully discussed and the following resolution passed:

"That the Panel Committee are of opinion (a) that the

"That the Panel Committee are of opinion (a) that the medical profession should oppose any proposed alteration in the Medical Benefit Regulations which may provide for the chemists' bills being paid in full, and for the Drug Fund being made a first charge upon the Medical Benefit Fund, without the provision of a special fund to meet any excess in the cost of drugs beyond 2s. per insured person.

(b) That, in view of the differences which exist in the ineidence of sickness in various parts of the country, it is inequitable that each local Drug Fund should consist of 2s, per head of the insured population. (c) That a differentiation in the amount of the Drug Funds of the various areas might well be secured by the award of special grants to necessitous areas from a central fund made up of the whole or a portion of the amounts by which the cost of drugs necessitous areas from a central fund made up of the whole or a portion of the amounts by which the cost of drugs in any area may fall below 1s. 6d. per insured person. (d) That control over any tendency toward excessive prescribing by practitioners should not be secured by an automatic surcharge of every practitioner, the total cost of whose prescriptions exceeds a fixed amount per insured person, with or without some form of relief in special cases, but by continuous scrutiny by the Panel Committee of the prescriptions issued, and by surcharge on the present basis of practitioners prescribing extravagantly, with the elimination, however, of the interest therein of the Pharmaceutical Committee." ceutical Committee.

Various amendments were discussed, but were defeated. The Committee also dealt with excessive ordering of drugs.

### Births.

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Boot.—At Manor Park, Ruddington, Notts, on September 26, the wife of Captain John Campbell Boot (T.F.), of a daughter.

Petrie.—At Cape Town, on August 29, the wife of D. L. Petrie, chemist, Hanover Street, Cape Town, of a daughter.

## Marriages.

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CHERRY-ROHR.-At St. James's Church, Sea Point, Cape Town, on August 24, by the Rev. J. Deacon, Rector, William Stokes Cherry, of Hopkins & Cherry, chemists, Woodstock and Salt River, fourth son of the late Frederick A. Cherry. Kingstown, Dublin, to Annie Catharina Rolir, sister of H. F. W. Rohr, Albany Road, Sea Point.

GREEN—PROSSER.—At Christ Church, Summerfield, by the Rev. H. Montague Dale, on September 22, Walter William Green, eldest surviving son of the late William Green and Mrs. Green, Coleshill, to Dorothy, elder daughter of Mr. F. H. Prosser, Ph.C., and Mrs. Prosser, Selwyn Road, Edgbaston.

McBirney-Morrison.—At Kilhorne Parish Church, Annalong, by the Rev. Henry McKnight, M.A., on September 23, Robert Brownlow McBirney, registered druggist, second son of Mr. Edward McBirney, the Medical Hall, Kilkeel, to Sarah, youngest daughter of the late Edward Morrison, Bloomfield, Belfast.

NISBET—HENDRY.—At the Douglas Hotel, Aberdeen, by the Rev. A. Hood Smith, Newmachar, on September 24, Peter Nisbet, chemist and druggist, Leith, to Annie, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Hendry, 12 Summerfield Terrace, Aberdeen.

Golden Wedding.

REYNOLDS—COLEBROOK.—At the Congregational Church, Guildford, on September 21, 1865, Freshfield, son of Charles and Lucy Reynolds, to Louisa, daughter of William and Mary Ann Colebroek. [Mr. and Mrs. Freshfield Reynolds now reside at Mynd House, Gloucester.]

## Deaths.

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Cox.--At Foro Street, Hatfield, Hertfordshire, on September 3, Mr. James Cox, chemist and druggist, aged seventysix.

FAIRFUL.—At Dundee, on September 23, Mr. Charles Fairful, chemist's manager, aged sixty-four. Mr. Fairful was the son of a coachman in the service of the late Dr. Lyall, Dundee, and assisted in the doctor's surgery. He then passed into the employment of David Russell & Son, chemists, Nethergate, where he remained for the greater part of his life and became well known to many in the trade as well as to the multiple Since the death of Mr. James Russell he had been with Mr. A. Y. Barrie and with Mr. R. Guild Strachan, local pharmacists, who, with Mr. John Hodge, a most faithful friend, wero present at the funeral.

Handson.—At Eastbourne, on September 13, Mr. Charles Handson, chemist and druggist, aged eight-one. Mr. Handson was for long in business at Stamford, where he served on the Corporation, and in 1877 as Mayor of the borough.

-At Southsea, on September 14, Mr. Jagger, Ph.C., aged twenty-three. Mr. Jagger died from prussic-acid poisoning, and a coroner's jury returned a verdict of suicide while of unsound mind.

KAY.—At the residence of his nephew (Mr. F. W. Hollingworth, Ph.C.). 34 Hillcrest Avenue, Leeds, Mr. William Kay, late of Stainland, aged eighty. Mr. Kay was a pharmacist of the old type. Ho was a native of Osmotherley, near Northallerton, and served his apprenticeship with the lato William Warrior, of Northallerton. In the Halifax district, where Mr. Kay was in business for over forty-fivo years, he was well known and highly respected.

-At Plymouth, suddenly from heart failure. LANE. September 23, Mr. David Lane, East Dulwich London, S.E., aged sixty. Mr. Lane was for over thirty years town representative of Ford, Shapland & Co., chemists' printers, London. He was a nativo of Plymouth, and in his capacity as traveller he was known to, and highly thought of by, many in the drug-trade, while socially he had a wide circle of friends, being a Bible-class and Band of Hope worker.

LITTLE.—At Rose Villa, Wigton Road, Carlisle, on September 22. Maria, widow of the late Robert Little, chemist and druggist, Carlisle, aged seventy-seven.

Magnus.—At Harrogate, suddenly, on September 27, Mr. Isidor Magnus, of 26 Fallows Road, Hampstead, and of Geo. Haller & Co., 52 Leadenhall Street, London, E.C., aged fifty-four. The late Mr. Magnus joined the firm of Geo. Haller & Co. (which was established in 1878) in 1886,

and eventually became a partner. Though not partner. Though not originally brought up to the chemical and drug trades, he quickly became conversant with the business, and the special lines, such as glycerin, olive, eod-liver, castor, and other fixed oils, fats, etc., claimed his attention. He was a very keen and energetic man of business, and attended Change regularly tended Change regularly ever since he entered the firm, being highly esteemed by all with whom he did business. About three weeks ago he went to Harrogate for the purpose of taking a while thore are interest, trauble decreases.



MR. I. MAGNUS.

while there an internal trouble developed, and he died suddenly on Monday morning as a result of internal hemorrhage and heart failure many internal hemorrhage and heart failure while his wife was reading aloud to him a letter from their son, who is an officer with the British Forces in France. Mr. Magnus also leaves two daughters.

Planchon.—At Montpelier, on September 8, Dr. Louis D. Planchon, L. ès Sciences, aged fifty-eight. Dr. Planchon was a corresponding member of the Pharmaceutical Society.

TREE.—At 56 King's Road, St. Leonards-on-Sea, on September 11, Margaret, widow of the late Frederick Tree, chemist and druggist, St. Leonards.

Wood.—At the Botanic Gardens, Durban, Natal, on August 26, Dr. John Medley Wood, A.L.S., aged eightyseven. Dr. Wood was a native of Mansfield, Nottinghamshire, and had resided in Natal for the past sixty-three shire, and had resided in Natal for the past sixty-three years. For a time he was associated in business with his father, Mr. James Riddal Wood, who practised as a solicitor and notary public, and later he went trading to Zululand, afterwards taking up farming, devoting himself particularly to experiments with arrowroot and castor-oil cultivation. Thirty-three years ago he was offered the Curatorship of the Durban Botanic Gardens, and was subsequently appointed Director. When the Gardens were handed over to the Corporation Dr. Wood became Director of the Natal Herbarium, which was taken over by the Government. For over thirty-three years Dr. Wood pursued the study of the Natal flora and his work became his hobby. He did much to improve the sugar-planting indushobby. He did much to improve the sugar-planting industry of the Colony. He was an Associate of the Linnæan Society and was engaged in writing a valuable book on "Natal Plants," six volumes of which have already appeared.

Killed in Action.

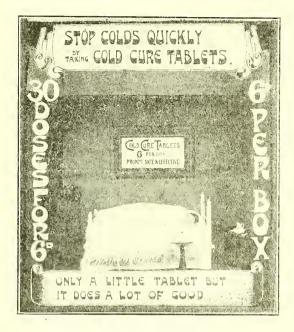
Boyce.—Killed in action, at the Dardanelles, on August 21, Trooper John Henry Boyce, Royal Bucks Hussars, only son of Mr. Henry Boyce (B. A. Smith & Co., 4 Church Row, Aldgate, London, E.), and grandson of the late Henry Boyce, Beccles, Suffolk, aged twenty-six. "Dulce et decorum est pro patria mori." A portrait of Trooper Boyce was given in our issue of last week (p. 50).

Jones.—Killed in action at Hill 60, France, F. Jones, King's Shropshire Light Infantry, lately porter with Chave & Jackson, Ltd., chemists, Hereford.

PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS IN ARGENTINA.—The United States Consul at Rosario, in a report to the Washington authorities, deals with the scarcity of certain pharmaceutical products in Argentina as a result of the war. Castor oil, he says, has gone up 20 per cent.; aspirin is sold at extravagant prices. Acetic acid is scarce, and as Argentina is a large consumer of tartaric acid the home production is insufficient. cient. Iodine is difficult to obtain from Chile.

## Chemists' Windows.

Photographs of windows sent to the Editor for reproduction should be accompanied by notes on how the displays were arranged.



#### This Bedroom Scene

was very effective and attracted a lot of attention, from was very effective and attracted a lot of attention, from children to grown-ups. The wall-paper, with white frieze at top, was suspended from top of window, the returns at each side being made to fit in with back. The photograph hardly does justice to the actual room effect, as the whole display was not deep enough from a photographic point of view. The picture hung at the back was a paper-framed showcard stuck on the wall-paper, while cord was affixed to give the necessary effect. The wardrobe on the left was made out of cardboard, as also was the table in front of bed, and the dressing-table on the right was a toy. The furniture was painted green. The bedstead, another box, was in white enamel, and the doll (an old wooden one discarded by the youngsters) with various streakings on the face carded by the youngsters) with various streakings on the face showing physical discomfort, and huge piles of clothes. amply testified to what the patient was suffering from. nice strip of red carpet was at the side of bed, the whole floor being covered with linoleum. Paper strips at top and bottom and cut-out paper letters at side were stuck on the To those who desire to make a similar display I window. window. To those who desire to make a similar display a would advise them to work details out very carefully before beginning, as only those who are prepared to go into details will realise how much adjustment has to be made to get the correct effect.—H. A. Martin (Leicester).

# Business Changes.

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Mr. W. NAUMANN has removed from 63 Bartholomew Close to 40 Charterhouse Square, London, E.C.

BOYD, WILSON & Co. have commenced business at 6 Harp Lane, London, E.C., as drug, oil, and wax merchants.

CAMPBELL & Co., London and Bordeaux, have removed from 9 and 10 Fenchurch Street to 4 Brabant Court, Philpot Lane, E.C.

Preserving Kidney Beans.—Mr. J. H. Smith, Ph.C., Newark, writing to the "Daily Mail." says kidney beans, preserved by the following method, will keep for six months or more: In an earthenware jar of from one to four gallons capacity place alternately a layer of common salt and a layer of beans, as gathered. The down and keep in a cool place, Glass jars answer equally well if covered over with brown paper to keep out the light.

#### Personalities.

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MISS G. N. PHILIPP has been appointed assistant dispenser to the Nottingham parish.

ALDERMAN OWEN A. CLARK, chemist and druggist, of Nunn, Hinnell & Clark, chemists, Abbeygate Street, Bury St. Edmunds, has been invited to retain the Mayoralty of the borough for another year.

Mr. H. T. Hall, chemist and druggist, Selly Park, Birmingham, has passed the Matriculation examination of Birmingham University held in September, and will enter on the five years' curriculum for the M.B., Ch.B. degree of the University on October 5. Mr. Hall informs us that he will retain control of his retail establishments while prosecuting his medical studies.

MR. THOMAS J. WHIFFEN, of Whiffen & Sons, Ltd., Lombard Road, Battersea. London, S.W., met with a somewhat serious accident on Tuesday, being knocked down by a serious accident on Tuesday, being knocked down by a cyclist telegraph-messenger near the company's works. Mr. Whiffen is now a patient at St. Thomas's Hospital, but his friends will be glad to hear that he is in no danger, and is recovering rapidly from his injuries; he hopes to be about again in a few days. We note that "The Times" Literary Supplement of September 23 contains a highly appreciative review of a book on the Amazon, written by Mr. Whiffen's eldest son, Captain Thomas Whiffen, who explored the river a few years ago as to its rubber possibilities.



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Tooth- 242/30. Stevens' polish. 240/65. Marshall's pca-flour. 240/53. "Farvente" foot cres

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239/28. Second-hand bottles: suppliers.
243/72. Walpole hot water bottle: suppliers.
243/37. Kola tonic, "The Concentrated."
257/35. "Polvos de Juanes" (1-oz. bottles).

#### INFORMATION SUPPLIED.

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Sulphur paper, 231/67
"Tatcho," 234/270

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## Observations and Reflections.

By Xrayser II.

#### The New Medicine-duties

are quite likely to effect a substantial reduction on the sale of this class of merchandise; but time alone can tell whether that will be more or less than the 13 per cent. on which Mr. McKenna reckoned. There may be a few people, in Parliament and outside it, who would like "patents" to be taxed out of existence, but it is evident that Mr. McKenna is not one of these, otherwise he would have imposed prohibitive duties even though the result were a loss to the revenue instead of a gain.

#### By the Way,

the resolution of the P.A.T.A. Council against the increase is very badly worded, not to say ungrammatical, and is open to criticism on other grounds. protest is in fact a mistake; it will have no effect, except to create an impression unfavourable to the trade, and the reason alleged for it is more than a little disingenuous. Mr. McKenna will take some convincing that proprietors are moved solely by consideration for sick persons, and he might without impertinence suggest that if they are troubled on this account they can, without incurring any disastrous loss, share the burden by reducing their profits. The only good point in the resolution (and this is very confusedly put) is that it is a vicious procedure to use this indirect means of checking the sale of hurtful or fraudulent preparations, Not only is this punishing the innocent with the guilty, but it is a crooked policy, and like all attempts to kill two birds with one stone, it is very likely to miss both of the marks at which it is aimed.

#### Some of the Criticisms

of the Departmental Report contributed by your correspondents last week are very valuable. though several of the letters printed are beside the mark and show signs of prejudice. I am not a financial expert, and I have no means of checking the statement that we should lose from 15 to 20 per cent. by accepting the new scheme; but if this is true, I incline to its rejection. I question, however, whether we have sufficient data for such a statement. We must not go by the new Tariff alone, or mainly; the most important factor in the calculation is the proportion between prescriptions bearing a high fee and those with a low one, and here we are very much in the dark. The two points on which we must fight, if we do fight, are the establishment charges and the dispensing-fees; the Tariff may not be "commercial," but that does not matter so long as it does not entail positive loss; it would be good policy to accept the offered Tariff if by so doing we can secure better terms in more important respects. As I said last week, some sacrifice may reasonably be made for the sake of stability, but we ought not to accept lower payment, in proportion to the work and worry involved, than we should have had under the old scheme had there been no discounting. I should say that a sacrifice of 10 per cent. might be worth accepting, in view of the saving of time and labour and the other advantages to be gained, but hardly more. The new recommendations are put forth as a remedy for acknowledged grievances; they are farcical if, so far from remedying, they increase them.

#### "The Effort to Keep Business Going

must not be relaxed, but intensified; " so writes F. A. Degen in the interesting article on advertising in war-time. I agree with the writer entirely. We ought not only to keep our goods before the public eye all the time, but, if possible, give them greater prominence than before, and the firm that keeps up its advertising during the war is the firm that will reap the benefit when peace comes. The public memory is exceedingly short, and if we once allow ourselves to drop out of sight it will not be easy to get into the limelight again, for someone else will have taken of the solution. And the subsequent lectures will be on the subsequent lectures. them greater prominence than before, and the firm that

up the running, and we shall be in danger of being permanently eclipsed.

#### The Use of Hypochlorous Acid

is by no means a novelty, for it has been pointed out by several writers in the "British Medical Journal" that they have for many years been using the old official favourite, liquor sodies chlorinate, which is an alkaline solution of hypochlorous acid. Undoubtedly the new solution is preferable, and if it is going to be as effective as has been claimed, it will soon be in great demand, so that Mr. Thomas Alexander's suggestions are most useful for those who want to make the solution extemporaneously.

#### The Plant-name "Boneset"

has been discussed recently in one of our daily papers, a writer in which has declared that it means hemp-agrimony. This, of course, is a mistake; "boneset," in modern usage, means Eupatorium per-foliatum, whereas hemp-agrimony is E. cannabinum. The editor of the "Journal of Horticulture" takes occasion from the discussion to say that popular plant-names ought to be suppressed, as they cause endless confusion. No doubt they do; the same name is sometimes given to a dozen different plants, and the same plant may have a dozen different names; but names have an historical as well as a scientific value, and it is necessary to know how they have been used as well as how they are used now. The name "boneset" does not appear to have been common in England until the introduction of the American remedy that now bears it, but it was occasionally given to the great comfrey (Symphytum officinale), the Consolida major of our old herbalists. In Dr. John Pechey's "Compleat Herbal" (1694) it is so applied, as also by the better-known Ray, in his Catalogue of English plants. have been surprised recently to find comfrey growing in a good many gardens in a neighbourhood in which it is very rarely found wild. I did not gather that its present cultivators make use of it medicinally, but it had once a very great reputation, not only as a strengthener and vulnerary, but for old coughs, and (as Gerard puts it) for "inward wounds and burstings" of all kinds. You recently called attention (May 1, Coloured Supplement) Bramwell in the "British Medical Journal," and possibly it is one of those old "simples" the use of which is worth reviving.

# Coming Events.

This section of the "C. & D." is reserved for advance notices of meetings or other events. These should be sent to the Editor by Wednesday of the week before the meetings, etc., occur.

#### Sunday, October 3.

Pharmacists' Voluntary Training Corps, Parade, 130 Horseferry Road, Westmiuster, S.W., at 10 a.m.

#### Monday, October 4.

Pharmaceutical Society of Ireland, 67 Lower Mount Str et, Dublin. Aunual meeting at 7.30 p.m.

#### Wednesday, October 6.

Veal Exhibition, Royal Hotel, Brighton, from 2 to 10 P.M. Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain, 17 Bloomsbury Square, London, W.C. Council-meeting at 11 A.M. Opening of the Session, 3 P.M.

#### Thursday, October 7.

Ucal Exhibition, Royal Hotel, Brighton, from 2 to 10 P.M.
Western Pharmacists' Association. Reunion of members and
friends at the Restaurant Frascati, Oxford Street, W. Reception by the President and Mrs. Melhuish at 7.30 P.M. Supper
on the balcony later.

THE CHEMISTS' DENTAL SOCIETY will meet in the Holborn Restaurant, London, W.C., on October 20, at 6 p.m. for the Council and 8 p.m. publicly.



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# Editorial Articles.

#### Medicine-duties.

After some strenuous work, representatives of proprietarymedicine interests succeeded, through Mr. W. S. Glyn-Jones, M.P., in getting the enforcement of the doubled medicine-duties postponed for three weeks, so that it will not be until October 20 that the extra stamping on the first sale will become necessary. In spite of the postponement, many sales to the public at the new rates of duty appear to have taken place, as was inevitable, for the terms of the notice issued by the Excise authorities conveyed the idea that all dutiable medicines in stock had to be extra-stamped, whereas the Budget resolution goes no further than to say that extra stamping has to be done on the first sale. We emphasised this last week in order to save retailers the trouble of going over all their stock, and to take advantage of extra-stamping at the time of sale if more convenient. All the trouble has centred round this one point, for it will be seen from the full report which we print that manufacturers were practically unanimous in the opinion that the additional tax should be met in a loyal spirit, and that postponement should be asked for. This was the line thrown out at the London Chamber of Commerce meeting and agreed to by the amalgamated meeting at Salisbury Hotel, The concession of three weeks' delay should meet trade, labour, and time difficulties amply, for it appears that the scarcity of stamps was merely temporary. As soon as the Commissioners knew, forty-eight hours before the Budget, that the Chancellor proposed to double the duties, they began to increase the output of stamps, and last Friday  $1\frac{1}{2}d$ . stamps were being produced at the rate of a million a day. This is still going on. We understand that the Commissioners are favourable to the suggestion that an adhesive stamp similar to postage-stamps might, for the period of war at least, be used to denote the duty, and the Chancellor of the Exchequer informed Mr. Glyn-Jones on Wednesday that this is to be done. There still remains for the drug-trade settlement of the question of price-protection, which is not without complications that will require all the ingenuity of the founder of the P.A.T.A. and his Council to unravel. New prices have to be arranged, profits allocated, and so on. It is not, of course, possible for the manufacturers to advance the face values more than the additional stamp duties where the prices of the medicines are the maxima—e.g., a 1s.  $1\frac{1}{2}d.$ article cannot be increased beyond 1s. 3d. without the duty being increased to 6d.; but it is possible to advance the minimum retail prices-e.g., a 1s. 11d. article retailing at 1s. may be fixed at 1s. 2d., and we understand that some manufacturers are doing this so as to return the P.A.T.A. ratio of profit. The suggestion that the 1s. basis should be raised to 1s. 3d. (making face value 1s. 6d.) would simplify matters, and Mr. Glyn-Jones is negotiating with the authorities in regard to it. Although last week's resolution by the House of Commons has been amended the provision has to be embodied in the Finance Bill, and it is on it that Mr. Glyn-Jones will put forward definitely his idea of increased bases as given on p. 42.

#### The Drug Tariff.

Something has happened. What it is we do not know exactly, but the Pharmaceutical Society, or those who write under its ægis, have suddenly deprecated criticism of the proposals of the Departmental Committee on the Drug Tariff, and have put up a squeaky little wail about the representatives of the Society having done their best, pleading at the same time that the Society should not suffer for it. We see no occasion for the dictation; and were the conditions normal it would not be necessary to refer to the matter at all; but the conditions are abnormal both as regards our contemporary's conduct and the need for getting to know the opinion of dispensing chemists in regard to the Departmental Committee's proposals. There are some thousands of dispensing chemists in Great Britain; only a few hundreds of them in England and Wales will have the opportunity of discussing the matter in London a few weeks hence, and dispensing chemists in Scotland will not have the opportunity at all; therefore any public expression of opinion and publication of facts bearing upon the subject before that meeting cannot fail to be of service to the whole body pharmaceutic. We have not hesitated to give such publicity, and we feel that it would be unfair to deny it to individual chemists, who must necessarily be affected by the decisions of the body as a whole. Apart from this, panel doctors are discussing the matter, and what they and their organs are saying should be known to panel chemists. We contrast two opinions:

"It is, of course, quite possible to discover in the recommendations of the Departmental Committee points which at first sight appear dangerous, or at least fraught with prejudice, to those who have to supply drugs and appliances under contract with Insurance Committees, but, as on all other important occasions, is a wise plan to go softly in deliberation before committing one's self and one's calling to a definite expression of opinion. The two pharmaceutical representa-tives on the Committee tives on the Committee obviously must know more of the inner meaning of the Report than is printed in the recommendations, and it should be clear to the veriest infant in political wisdom that as these gentlemen will report to the Council facts and considerations at present confidential, it would be imprudent to settle by local journalistic discussion questions of policy until the Council is in a position to indicate the real causes at tional than the present scale, issue. . . The Society has . . . The chemist will exbeen apparently so successful that some modification of the fruits of its work may become necessary in the nature of a greater equalisation of distribution of the benefit; when the proof the beneat; when the pro-cess is put into operation, as it may be, it will ill become the panel pharma-cist to blame the Society for lowering the rate of net profit in England and profit in England and Wales on buying price from 38.4 to 33.7 per cent., and in Scotland from 66.5 to 66.7 per cent."

"The memorandum of evidence put in by the wit-nesses for the British Medi-cal Association pointed out that the present Tariff was so complex and so full of anomalies and inconsistencies, that it seemed quite impossible to deduce any definite principles on which it might be supposed to have been based. The system was so chaotic that on a single prescription it was possible that the chemist might gain a profit of seven points:
(1) The discount he got from wholesale ehemist; (2) the percentage profit on (2) the percentage profit on the primary price in the Tariff; (3) the additional percentage profit on smaller quantities than the ounce; (4) the profit obtained by levelling up fractions to the next halfpenny; (5) profit derived from the fact that one halfpenny was the mini-mum charge per investigat. mum charge per ingredient; (6) dispensing-fees: (7) emul-sifying-fee. . . The Com-mittee's scale of dispensingfees scems to be more rachange a somewhat high account which must be always delayed in payment and may never be paid in full, for a moderate bill which can be paid directly and which he is absolutely certain of receiving in full. He will also save an immense also save an immense amount of difficult clerical labour in the pricing of his prescriptions, will no longer be financially interested in the method of prescribing, and therefore will no longer have the odium and trouble of initiating proceedings against practitioners under the obnoxious Regulation 40."

Simultaneously with A appearing in the Pharmaceutical Society's organ B was published in the organ of the British Medical Association; both quotations are from editorial articles. It will be noticed that the medical organ does not hesitate to give prominence to the new principle in the proposed tariff-viz., that chemists' accounts will be a first charge on the Medical Benefit Fund; this rather than a multitude of details is the principle which appeals most strongly to chemists, who naturally must be interested to know that medical opinion is not altogether in favour of it, as may be judged by the London Panel Committee's resolution (p. 44). "The Lancet" also says:

"We cannot but think that this a most inopportune moment for any great revision of the conditions of payment. Even the Report of the Committee, to which we referred last week, fails to give satisfaction to the pharmaceutical members. . . With such divergence of opinion from those who have had full opportunity of investigation, it is to be hoped that further discussion of the matter may be shelved until after the war."

In its correspondence columns our contemporary prints a letter from Dr. Major Greenwood, of Hackney Road, N.E., who was one of the strongest opponents of the principle that dispensing under the Insurance Act should be done by chemists, and not by doctors. He now states

"There is nothing in Section 15 to warrant an imposition on the doctors of a liability of making good a deficit arising through the inadequacy of the chemists' contract with the Insurance Committee. From the very inception of the Act the liabilities of the doctor and the chemist have been kept separate. . . . It is a matter of life and death to panel kept separate. . . It is a matter of life and death to panel practitioners to preserve intact at all hazards that portion of the Medical Benefit Fund that was earmarked by the Act as payment for their services only, and to refuse to allow it to be made in any way responsible for the claims of the chemist. To mix it up with the Drug Fund would be courting disaster. . . No doubt, the chemist's charges ought to be paid in full, and if he can get a guarantee to this effect in any other way, well and good. But it is no part of our duty to take upon ourselves a burden that he is finding every day increasingly oncrous."

In face of the fact that such statements as these are appearing in papers which are sold to the public through newsagents, it is not wise to attempt to suppress the views of the persons most concerned-dispensing chemists. Moreover, the financial situation of the London Insurance Committee has become clamant, Mr. Handel Booth, M.P., having spoken very plainly about it at last week's meeting. We daresay it is still fresh in the memory of our readers that 6s. per insured person was the amount that Mr. Lloyd George set aside in the first instance for Medical Benefit: 4s. 6d. to go to the doctor and 1s. 6d. to pay for medicine and appliances. The doctors demanded 8s. 6d. per head, exclusive of drugs and extras, or 13s. a head inclusive, and Mr. Lloyd George increased the total to 9s.: 7s. to the doctor and 2s. for drugs. Of the extra 3s. per head, 2s. 6d. was found by the taxpayer and 6d. was taken from the 1s. 3d. per head allowed in the Act for Sanatorium Benefit. The 9d. left for sanatorium treatment has proved insufficient in the London area as well as in others, hence Mr. Booth's speech of protest last week In this he was supported by Mr. Rockcliff, Chairman of the Finance Committee, who has since explained to a "Star" representative that the Sanatorium Benefit Fund has expended all its money for the year, although three months remain to run. The treatment of consumptive patients would have had to be completely suspended unless money had been taken from another fund. Our contemporary adds:

"Then there is the Drug Fund. When the doctors were able to secure an advance of 2s. 6d. per patient, the druggist secured nothing. [Yes, a lien upon the floating 6d.—Editor C. & D.] In 1914 there was a deficiency of over being asked to accept 75 per cent. of their accounts. The new postal changes will impose a heavy burden on the working of the Act. One large Approved Society alone will have to spend 1,200%, a year extra on posting to its thousands of members their eards and receipts. It is impossible that the London Committee shall go on without impossible that the London Committee shall go on without more money, which will have to be supplied either by the insured person or the taxpayer. The insured person, who is going to be heavily taxed by the Budget, can afford no higher contribution, and will not be willing to accept reduced benefits. The Treasury, which is enforcing the lesson of economy everywhere and cutting down national and municipal expenditure, will have great difficulty in finding the money. It is an unfortunate result of an unscrupulous agitation, and we hope a remedy will be found."

To sum up, the present position of Insurance Act Medical Benefit is critical generally, and dispensing chemists are most concerned about the matter, because the powers that be in seeking for a means to reduce expenditure have gone no further than chemists' accounts, and propose to cut them down. We submit that this is false economy as well as unfair treatment. We are glad that Mr. Handel Booth is endeavouring to get the Government to look into the financial conditions of the Act, and that the Prime Minister has not given the customary blunt refusal to his suggestions.

#### Lord John Cavendish's Budgets.

In our first editorial article last week the references to Lord John Cavendish on p. 65 were incomplete through the omission of the year 1782. The passage referred to should read:

It is interesting to recall that medicine stamp-duty was first imposed in 1783. On March 8, 1782, Lord John Cavendish proposed a vote of censure on Fox's Government. . . His motion was carried by 226 votes to 216. Pitt's Government came into power on March 20, and Lord John Cavendish succeeded Lord North as Chancellor of the Exchequer. He brought in his first Budget (amending Lord North's) on May 22, 1782, and another on May 26, 1783.

#### Disclosed Formulas.

We have been flooded this week with inquiries regarding medicine stamp-duty, there being a natural desire for chemists to avoid incurring duty in the case of preparations made by themselves, although the Budget resolution does not alter the law in any other respect than doubling the duty. It saves time to refer to our Dictionary of Dutiable Medicines in the C. & D. Diary, beginning on p. 416. We have also been asked if we can still receive formulas for publication in the C. & D. Diary, 1916. We can, but the space available for such formulas will be limited, and it is necessary that subscribers should send their formulas soon.

# Sterilisation of Catgut.

By René Guyot, Pharmacien-Major de rere Classe.

I N the surgical services of the Army the consumption of sterilised articles and dressings is great. The time of antiseptics is past and modern surgery is aseptic. Hence special organisations have been formed nearly everywhere in temporary or auxiliary hospitals to sterilise cotton, gauzes, compresses, etc. Sterilised catgut is supplied by the Army services or by private firms, hence the medical department is not required to sterilise the gut. The author was struck by the loss and waste arising from bottles of catgut being opened and left, after surgical operations, unused because they were non-sterile, and he sought to make them fit for use again by re-sterilising. Owing to its origin catgut must be made absolutely aseptic, for the intestine is a reservoir of microbes, since the sheep browses on grass, which is often infected with pathogenic germs, such as tetanus spores, which are strongly resistent to sterilisation. Numerous processes are employed for sterilising catgut, and these are briefly:

(1) Dry Heat of 140° C, in an Oven.—Larochette appears o have obtained good results with this, but the author found that at this temperature catgut changes very much,

becoming hard, twisted, and unusable,
(2) Heating in an Autoclave with Steam at 120° C.—By
this method the catgut gelatinises; the thread becomes very elastic as well as very brittle, so that it is unusable. In the sterilisation damp must be avoided, but after sterilisation a certain degree of humidity must be restored to the catgut in order to give the desired suppleness, for good sterilised catgut must fulfil the following three conditions: (1) It must be aseptic, a condition to be proved by incubating a portion of it in a culture-medium, when no bacterial growth should be formed; (2) it must be resistent, fairly supple, and not brittle; and (3) it must be reabsorbable by the tissues. Répin thought that catgut could be sterilised by immersion in a closed vessel containing absolute alcohol. This is satisfactory in a measure, and the process is employed. Absolute alcohol makes catgut too dry and brittle, but its suppleness is restored by diluting the alcohol used for sterilisation to 90 per cent. (sp. gr. 0.8335) by introducing into the closed vessel near the catgut an ampoule containing the requisite quantity of water, and when sterilisation is complete the ampoule is broken, the result being that the catgut absorbs the water and becomes supple.

All sterilising processes are based on this principle,

including the Codex official process.\* Triollet recommends chloroform, Guerbet acetone, and Krönig cumol in place of absolute alcohol. The author tried chloroform. heating to 125° with steam, and obtained a very brittle catgut. Vaseline oil and oil of turpentine gave unsatisfactory results. With the former a very elastic thread was obtained which stretched too much when used, and the turpentine gave a very brittle thread. The author conceived the idea of using a very volatile liquid, and chose ether, sp. gr. 0.724. A preliminary operation is necessary in all methods of sterilisation-viz., the removal of fat. The gut-spinner before delivering violin-strings greases them to make them supple. The fatty matter which he uses is an insulating body and retards sterilisation. The fat is removed from the gut placed in a Soxhlet apparatus by means of ether. Then the catgut is dried slowly in an oven at a temperature of 110° C. for one hour (Répin process), between 85° and 95° (Barthe-Soulard process), or at 85° for ten hours, and finishing over sulphuric acid (Grimbert process). The author's process is better, and is as follows:

Directly the ether is removed from the gut the latter is rolled on glass tubes. These tubes are placed in glass flasks closed by a metallic screw stopper, the flask necks having a filter-plug of carded cotton. The preserving-bottles should be

Substantially the Codex process is: After removal of fat the catent is dried for six hours at 85° C., and cooled over subhuric acid: then it is placed in tubes filled with absolute alcohol, which are placed in an autoclave and heated to 120° C. for forty-five minutes. The categories then allowed to cool, and is kept in hermetically scaled bottles, being immersed in sterilised water for a quarter of an hour before use.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Please give me a 'tunic': doctor savs my 'cistern' is run down," was the request of an old woman as she stood, prescription in hand, at the counter of an Everton

Paperus and Paper Manufacture.—Bulletin No. 2 of the Chemical Section of the Wellcome Tropical Research Laboratories. Khartoum, by Dr. William Beam, F.I.C., deals with the possibility of using the plentiful supplies of papyrus reed in the Upper Nile as a source of paper. It is suggested that the cost of transport, etc., may be overcome by the production of crude pulp, or "half-stuff," by boiling the reed with water under pressure at a temperature of from 142° C. to 150° C. for from three to six hours, which removes practically all the "non-cellulose." Experiments have indicated a yield of from 37.5 to 40.5 per cent. ments have indicated a yield of from 37.5 to 40.5 per cent. of "half-stuff" yielding about 55 per cent. of bleached pulp. It is estimated that this "half-stuff" would be worth not less than 51. per ton in Europe, while the cost of transport is estimated at 21. per ton.

capable of being closed as hermetically as possible, either by a metallic stopper with rubber or by a serew stopper. In the lower part of each bottle a perforated metallic shelf is placed. In the flask containing the catgut is placed a maximum control thermometer, with tube recorders close by. This flask is substantially a small steam-pan. The flasks of catgut are not completely screwed down, so as to permit easy penetration and circulation of the ether-vapours. Into the steaming-flask 20 to 30 c.c. of ether, either pure or mixed with equal parts of 95-per-cent, alcohol or absolute alcohol, is placed. The stopper is screwed on as well as possible, and the flask is put into a steaming-pan with steam. The temperature is kept at 120° for half an hour; the tlask is then cooled slowly, and when the internal pressure is normal the escape-tap is opened. The flask is taken out, left to cool, and the stopper unscrewed. The atmospheric air charged with moisture enters the flask, and the catgut, dried by the ether, regains sufficient hydration and at the same time its suppleness. This hydration can be hastened by placing the catgut-flasks in the same bottle which served for sterilisation, but substituting water for the ether. The moist air penetrates the cotton filter in the flasks, so that no germ enters. Examination of the maximum thermometer shows a temperature above 120° C., which the tube-recorder confirms.

Surgical trials of this catgut as to suppleness, solidity, and resistance have given good results, while negative results were obtained on incubation. From further experiments the author found that a second sterilisation deteriorates the catgut, and he concludes that one sterilisation is sufficient. By this very simple means it is possible to re-sterilise catgut which has remained open after surgical operations, and thus avoid a loss and a waste which is always appreciable, for "in the present hour of anguish in which we are living all efforts must tend to the same end—i.e., to make use of all resources and not to neglect one."—Journal de Pharmacie et de Chimie.

## Cold-creams.

Mr. Errest R. Jones, Ph.C., writing on this subject in the "Journal of the American Pharmaceutical Association" (1915, p. 708), states, as the result of experimental work, that at least four things are necessary to make a good cold-cream, which is essentially an emulsion—viz.. (1) white beeswax, (2) an oil, (3) a saponifying-agent, and (4) water. The saponifying-agent commonly used is borax, aqueous solutions of which are alkaline, owing to hydrolysis. The alkali saponifies the free cerotic acid, which is present in the beeswax to the extent of 12 to 16 per cent. The soap (sodium cerotate) thus formed acts as an emulsifying-agent for the balance of the beeswax and the rest of the ingredients. The reaction may be represented as follows:

 $\begin{array}{ccc} C_{25}H_{51}COOH_{\parallel} + NaOH &= & C_{25}H_{51}COONa & + & H_{2}O\\ Cerotic\ acid & Sodium & Sodium\ eerotate & Water\\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & \\ & & & \\$ 

The other ingredient of the beeswax (myricyl palmitate) is not saponified to any appreciable extent, probably not at all, as such esters are difficult to saponify even with strong alkali. Further, the alkalinity of the borax solution is immediately neutralised by the free cerotic acid, and the myricyl palmitate therefore probably does not enter at all into the chemistry of cold-creams. It is pointed out that only such fats and waxes as contain free acids can be used to form soaps with the borax solution. Fats and waxes which contain no free acid are valuable only as stiffening-agents. According to Lewkowitsch, the following are the acid-values of the substances named:

			Acid-value
Carnauba wa	Z.	 	 2
Japan wax		 	 20
Spermaceti		 	 traces
Beeswax		 	 20
Tallow		 	 4
Paraffin		 	 0
Ceresin		 	 0

Paraffin and ceresin do not form soaps with borax, as they contain no free acid, nor does spermaceti act any better, as it is practically neutral. Tallow and Carnauba wax, however, form emulsions, but, as the quantity of soap formed is small, the cream is not smooth. Japan wax and beeswax

yield good cold-creams, but the former is not recommended, as it has a lower melting-point and more colour and odour than beeswax. It can therefore be definitely stated that white beeswax is necessary to make a good cold-cream, as it supplies, with the borax, the soap necessary to form the it supplies, with the borax, the soap necessary to form the emulsion, and gives the smoothest cream of any of the waxes. The whiter the wax used, the whiter the cream will be. Sufficient wax should be used to give the cream the desired stiffness. Part of the wax, however, may be replaced by such substances as spermaceti, parallin, or ceresin as hardening-agents. Of these, parallin and ceresin are preferable to spermaceti. Ceresin has a considerably higher patrict they paralling they force less of it. higher melting-point than paraffin, therefore less of it is required to produce the same amount of stiffening. Both paraffin and ceresin should not be used in too great quantity if a smooth cream is desired. Stearic acid is sometimes used as a stiffening agent, but it has the disadvantage of making the cream granular in time, even if very small amounts are used. Either vegetable or mineral oils may be used. The former are better absorbed by the skin than the latter, and are preferred in medicated creams. objection to them is that when emulsified they quickly become rancid; also they impart an objectionable odour and do not yield the whitest of creams. Lanoline is sometimes used, but its odour and colour are objectionable. If a white cream is desired, it cannot be used at all; it has the advantage of being easily absorbed by the skin. There remains the inineral oils. Cold-creams made with these are permanent and do not turn rancid. The oil should be colourless and with as little odour as possible. The specific gravity may range from 0.860 to 0.880, but it may be noted that the higher the specific gravity the less stiffening-agent will be required. Borax is the best saponifying-agent to use, and is to be preferred over all others, as it gives the best and smoothest cream. Creams may be made with other substances whose solutions give an alkaline reaction. Those made with potassium salts are softer than those made with sodium salts. The fourth essential ingredient is water, and distilled water is always to be preferred, although tan and distilled water is always to be preferred, although tap water may be used if it does not contain much calcium or iron. It may be said that it is the water which makes the cold-cream white, and in general the more water used the whiter the cream, but too much water makes the cream granular and may cause a separation. The author's experience is that 25 per cent. is the proper amount to use from a manufacturer's point of view. The perfume should not contain too much alcohol, as the alcohol has a tendency to break up the emulsion, especially if added when the cream is too hot. Rose, lilac, and violet are the most popular odours, the former predominating. A word of caution is given in regard to lilae perfumes. Most of them, except perhaps a few expensive ones, contain terpineol, and terpineol itself is sometimes used as a perfume. This substance is very irritating to the skin, and should not be used in cold-creams. Generally, synthetic perfumes are more irritating than natural oils. In some cases, also, perfumes cause discoloration of the cream, making it decidedly fumes cause discoloration of the cream, making it decidedly brown; almost always discoloration is due to the perfume. but iron utensils may also cause the cream to become discoloured.

Much attention should be paid to the container. Collapsible tubes are, in the author's opinion, the ideal containers, as the cream does not dry and they are more sanitary than covered pots. They are not however, so attractive to the trade as jars, and are not so conveniently filled. Jars with screw tops are therefore the most popular. Particular care should be exercised in selecting pots with tight-fitting covers, and extra precautions, such as a paraffined-cardboard washer, should be used, to guard against loss of water. Coloured creams are novelties, and a pink cream with a carnation perfume is popular. These are made by dissolving a small amount of an oil-soluble colour in the melted fats before adding the borax solution. To make a pink cream, use the dye known as Oil Red S.

A Hendred Years Ago.—"Soda water in a state of perfection never before attained; prepared in Patent Glass Machines, to prevent metallic impregnation," was advertised in "The Times" by R. Johnston, chemist, 15 Greek Street, Soho, in oval glass bottles at 8s. 6d. per dozen, allowing 3s, for returned bottles. The genuine was marked "Hamilton's Patent."

"The Art of Dispensing" is now in line with the British Pharmacopeia, requisite alterations in official data and references having been made in reprinting the ninth edition. This makes the seventeenth issue or edition of the work since it was published in September 1888, so that it is the most popular and most used dispensing book in the English or any other language. The price remains 6s., by post 6s, 6d, from the C. & D. office, and it may be obtained from leading wholesale and sundries houses.

## Trade Notes.

The Cellonite Co.'s Agency.—In further reference to the note published on p. 60 of last week's issue, it should be mentioned that the agency for the sale of the Cellonite Co., Dreyfus & Co., Basle, is shared between Mr. Harry Heymann, of Bradford, and Mr. Hugo Lorenz, 758 Idol Lane, London, E.C.

BEEF-TEA CUBES made in England are in considerable demand at present, both at home and abroad. Tooth's Extract of Meat Co., 23 Leman Stroet, London, E., are manufacturers of these, and are prepared to pack them with labels bearing the vendor's name. Quotations can be obtained from the company on application.

PRICE'S NIGHT-LIGHTS.—We have recently observed that these old favourites are being most effectively advertised by posters of a new style. This is the beginning of the autumn advertising campaign by Price's Patent Candle Co., Ltd., Battersea, who inform our readers that it is being supplemented by newspaper advertising, while they offer to supply retailers with free adjuncts, so that they may not miss any of the business which increased public demand should bring them.

ELLIMAN'S UNIVERSAL EMBROCATION.—The revised prices and terms of this popular preparation are given by Elliman, Sons & Co., Slough, in the advertisement section of this issue, this being the first announcement of changes made consequent upon the doubling of the medicine-duty. The  $\frac{1}{2}$ d. Elliman's will henceforth be marked 1s., and it will retail at  $1\frac{1}{2}$ d. minimum price. The 1s.  $1\frac{1}{2}$ d. becomes 1s. 3d., with a minimum of 1s. 2d., and the 2s. 9d. 3s., minimum 2s. 9d. Messrs. Elliman quote the prices to the trade showing, for example, that the profit on the 1s. 3d. size to retail at the minimum price is about 25 per cent. on the outlay. There is no advance in the prices of Elliman's Royal Embrocation. New agreements for price-protection will shortly be issued.

Sanaphos Showcard.—The British Milk Products Co., Ltd., 69 Mark Lane, London, E.C., have now ready for distribution to retailers an exceedingly handsome lithograph showcard measuring 25½ in. by 20 in., like the annexed



engraving The card is highly glazed so that it can be kept free from dust, and the margin is a dark sage-green. Copies of the card can be obtained by anyone in the trado from the company on application.

Paraffinum Liquidum.—Snowdon, Sons & Co., Ltd., Millwall, London, E., have recently instituted what may be called a medical inquiry in regard to the most suitable liquid paraffin for medicinal purposes, and they find that thore is a strong opinion that the oil best suited for internal use should have a specific gravity of not less than 0.880, because the viscosity of such oil is sufficiently high to ensure that it will pass through the alimentary canal with requisite slowness to facilitate the expulsion of the contents of the lower bowel. This is not done by oils of specific gravity 0.860, and Messrs. Snowdon believe that Russian oil is preferable. One of the directors of the company has recently spert three months in Russia, and one result is that they have obtained a consignment of Russian oil which they are now able to offer pharmacists on advantageous terms.

THE P.A.T.A PROTECTED LIST for September contains the following additions: Allenburys Bynogen (two sizes) and

Bronnley's Sea Breezes Eau de Cologne (six sizes). The month's alterations in price are: Glaxo, Imperatrix Soap, Jeysol (four sizes), Kerfoot's Salaspin Tablets (100 bottles withdrawn), McDougall's Vaplamps (formerly Vapaform Lamps), Parke, Davis & Co.'s 33-per-cent. Cod-liver Oil Emulsion (three sizes), Dr. Thompson's Dandelion Coffce (two sizes), Southall, Bros. & Barclay, Ltd.'s Cod-liver Oil Emulsion (two sizes), Williams' Liquid Shaving Soap, and Zymate Tooth-paste (two sizes). The deletions in September include: Beslin, Ltd.'s, goods, Johnson's Scaloids, A. Kingsley and Co.'s goods, Onalite, Dr. Paul Nuyt's Brush and Refills, and the Pape, Thompson & Pape Co.'s goods.

Rears' Protected Prices.—A. & F. Pears, Ltd., 71-75 New Oxford Street, London, W.C., have now fixed minimum retail prices for their soap which are placed under the following conditions: "All goods supplied by A. & F. Pears, Ltd., are subject to the condition that they are not to be sold wholesale or retail below the minimum prices stated in their price-lists." "The goods on this invoice are supplied by us on the condition that they shall not be sold wholesale or retail below the minimum prices shown hereon. Your acceptance of the goods will be treated as an acknowledgment that they were bought by you on these terms. If you do not agree, please advise us and return the goods at once." The new terms come into force on Friday, October 1, and the company has, we understand, issued a circular letter and a list of wholesale terms to the trade. The following, however, are quoted as examples of the new fixed prices and terms: Transparent unscented, minimum retail 4d. per tablet, wholesale \$\frac{5}{3}\trac{3}{d}\trac{1}{d}\trace{1}{d}

# Scientific Progress.

Temperatures under this heading are on the Centigrade scale.

Water-content of Honey.—B. C. Aston, F.I.C. ("N.Z. Joar of Agric..." July 20, p. 48), states that the water-content of New Zealand honey seems to be lower, on the average, than that of any other country. Twelve samples from each of the following districts yielded on analysis the percentages of water stated: Auekland, 17.19; Wellington and Taranaki, 15.71; Canterbury, Nelson, and Marlborough, 16.14; and Otago and Southland, 16.33. In 100 samples of pure honey analysed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture the average was 17.59 per cent., with a range of 12.42 to 26.88 per cent. In 157 samples of pure honey analysed in Germany the averages were from 19.3 to 20.6 per cent.

Altval is a new organic iodine preparation, stated to contain about 63 per cent. of iodine. Its chemical constitution is 3-iodine-1-2-dihydroxypropan, CH<sub>2</sub>I,CHOH,CH<sub>2</sub>OH.

CII<sub>2</sub>I, CHOH, CH<sub>2</sub>OH.

It is made by the interaction of chlorhydrin and alkalino iodides, and crystallisation of the product thus obtained. It consists of white silky crystals, which are easily soluble in water, alcohol, and ether, but less easily in cold benzol and chloroform. The melting-point is 48°-49°. The taste is slightly bitter. Alival is given in those cases in which iodine preparations are usually administered. The absorption of the iodine is rather slow, but regular.

## Associations' Winter Session,

With the advent of October a new session of Pharma-ceutical Associations' meetings begins. We hope it will be a good one, fruitful of mutual help to members in the localities where such Associations exist. These organisations have increased and multiplied greatly during the past quarter of a century, so that now a dozen meetings are held where one was held before. We desire to report all, but necessarily in these days of universal economy the reports must be exceptionally concise, and we invite Secretaries of Associations to whose meetings reporters are not admitted to supply us with reports as promptly as possible after the meetings are held, and not later than Wednesday of the week following the meeting. Those who desire to have fortheoming meetings announced in the "C. & D." should send notice well in advance, and we should be glad to receive programmes of the coming session where such are arranged in advance.

The Conference of Local Associations delegates [L.A.C.], called by the Pharmaceutical Society to consider the proposed new Turiff for Insurance Act dispensing, is to be held in the Holborn Restaurant, London, W.C., on Wednesday, October 20.

Birmingham.—At a meeting of the Council of the Pharmaceutical Association on September 24, the Hon. Secretary (Mr. F. Smith) reported that pharmaeists' subscriptions to the local branch of the Belgian Doctors' and Pharmaeists' Relief Fund amounted to 135*l*. 13s. (seventy-five contributors). Expenses amounting to 2*l*. 7s. 7d. were borne by the Association. It is proposed to reduce the support of the proposed to reduce the support of the annual subscription of members outside the city from 5s. to 2s. 6d. A donation of 5l. 5s. was voted to the Pharma-ceutical Benevolent Fund. Mr. C. Thompson and Mr. F. Smith were appointed delegates to the L.A.C. It was reported that a circular and initial list had been forwarded to the signatories to the resolution, passed at the general meeting on July 14, for fixing minimum prices for drugs, etc., affected by the war. The annual meeting was fixed for October 27.

Bradford.-Mr. R. T. Silson presided at a meeting of the Pharmacists' Association on September 28. The new Insurance Drug Tariff and matters relating to the forthcoming L.A.C. in London were discussed, and it was decided not to do anything in regard to breaking bulk of patent pills, etc. The delegates to the Conference were instructed to vote against the proposal to refuse to stock articles advertised without indication as to cost. The meeting then resolved into a long and detailed discussion of the new Drug Tariff. Mr. Burdett said the Committee had appointed a Sub-Committee to earefully compare a series of prescriptions under the old Tariff and the new. They had gone through eighty prescriptions, and the result showed that under the new Tariff Bradford chemists would lose nothing, on the assumption that the discount on the old Tariff was 15 per cent. As a matter of fact, it had been 20 per cent. last year, and might reach 30 per cent. this year. The net result of the examination had been a gain to the chemists of 3d. on the eighty prescriptions. Modifica-tions suggested were: That the establishment-charge should not be less than 1d.; that 10 per cent. should be added to the cost-price allowance for appliances; that containers should be advanced in price allowance and revised should be advanced in price allowance and revised monthly; that the whole Tariff should be revised monthly during the war; and that there should be monthly payments. Mr. Foster Smith objected to the assertion that Bradford ehemists would lose nothing. He had examined thirty prescriptions, and found a loss of 5 per cent., or 0.34d. on each prescription. The suggestions were put to the meeting in the form of a motion, and were carried without dissent without dissent.

Cardiff.—Mr. S. B. Eason presided at a meeting of the Pharmacists' Association at the Argyle Hotel, on Septem-ber 21. A letter was read from the local Chamber of Trade regarding the midday closing hour and the closing of shops at 6 P.M. on two or three days each week. The meeting at 6 P.M. on two or three days each week. The meeting agreed with the principle of midday closing, and after considerable discussion as to the suggested six-o'clock closing, Mr. A. Johnson proposed, and it was agreed, that Cardiff chemists close at 7 P.M. on Mondays and Tuesdays, 1 P.M. on Wednesdays, 8 P.M. on Thursdays and Fridays, and 10 P.M. on Saturdays. It was resolved to set aside a date in October or November for a P.A.T.A. meeting. Mr. J. A. Jones was appointed delegate to the L.A.C. It was resolved that the Report of the Departmental Committee on the Drug Tariff should be considered by the Committee on the Drug Tariff should be considered by the

Pharmaceutical Committee and then referred back to the Pharmaceutical Committee and then reterred back to the Association. Slight alterations in the wording of the resolution regarding breaking "packages or boxes" of proprietary medicines, to be submited to the L.A.C., were suggested, and the Association's delegate was instructed to support proposals for 20 per cent. or more on perfumes and 15 per cent. or more on infants' foods. Mr. Hagon gave a risumé of the recent work of the Pharmaceutical Committee, and the Hon. Secretary (Mr. J. Murray) read a report of the meeting of representatives of the Panel and report of the meeting of representatives of the Panel and Pharmaceutical Committees arranged by Dr. Richards, Deputy-Chairman of the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, to discuss the question of stock mixtures. Messrs. J. A. Jones, Leo Joseph, and J. E. Jones, with the Hon. Secretary, represented pharmacists, and the matter was fully discussed, the pharmacists' representatives submitting objections to the verificant of the secretary. tions to the use of seven of the ten stock mixtures selected by the Panel Committee. It was suggested, in view of the seareity of sodii salicyl., that mist sodii salicyl might be replaced by mist, acida. It was stated that the stock mixtures are the stock mixtures are the stock mixtures are the stock mixtures are the stock mixtures. replaced by mist, acida. It was stated that the stock mixtures finally selected are not prescribed so often as had been expected. Mr. Hagon advised ehemists to accept the emergency settlement for 1914 offered by the Commissioners, which provides for payments of 85.7 per cent. of the amounts of the accounts. The Secretary reported that during the six months ended June 30, 1915, 84.032 prescriptions (value 2.328L, and average cost 6.53L.) were dispensed, compared with 101.017 prescriptions (value 3,947L, and average cost 9.79L.) in the corresponding period of 1914. In 1914 fifty-two doctors overspent the allowance for drugs by 1,294L, while in 1915 only twelve doctors exceeded the amount by 133L, one of them being accountable for over one-third of this, and two for over half of the amount. half of the amount.

Chesterfield.-The annual meeting of the Chesterfield and District Pharmacists' Association was held on September 28 at the Queen's Park Hotel, Mr. T. E. Furness in the chair. The Hon. Secretary (Mr. J. H. Toplis) reported on the year's work, which was considered satisfactory. The Hon. Treasurer produced his balance-sheet, duly audited. which showed a credit substantial balance. The retiring President addressed the members, and called upon the President-elect, Mr. F. J. Houston, to take the chair-Mr. Houston thanked the members for the honour they had done him in electing him to preside over their deliberahad done him in electing him to preside over their denoera-tions. The following officials were elected for the year: Vice-President: Mr. G. D. Denwood; Hon. Secretary: Mr. J. H. Toplis; Hon. Treasurer: Mr. S. C. Greaves; Hon. Auditors: Messrs. Twelves and Dent. The committee were re-elected on bloc. The new medicine-stamp duty was discussed, and the retail prices of many articles were revised. The members decided to make the Queen's Park Hotel their headquarters for the future.

**Dorsetshire.**—A meeting of the County Pharmacists Association was held at Poole, on September 27. The Association was need at Poole, on September 27. The chemists present represented rather more than one-third of the Insurance Dispensing Panel in the county. Over two hours were spent in discussing the Departmental Committee's Report on the Drug Tariff after it had been explained by the Secretary (Mr. J. W. Cussons). It was proved that the new Tariff would reduce the average profit in Dorset by slightly over 1½d. per prescription, equal to a loss of over 700l, per annum in the county. It was resolved that Mr. Cussons should propose at the forthcoming LAC. loss of over 7001, per annum in the county. It was resolved that Mr. Cussons should propose at the forthcoming L.A.C. that 1.5d. per prescription shall be the allowance for establishment charges, and that bottles shall be included in the monthly Supplementary Tariff. It was agreed that the Association's delegate should support the resolution to abolish breaking bulk of proprietary articles. The Hon. Secretary reported that in the quarter ended June 30 19.850 Insurance prescriptions (value 6511, and average cost 7.87d.) had been dispensed in the area, compared with 17.1752 prescriptions (value 7301, and average cost 8.05d.) 21,752 prescriptions (value 730), and average cost 8.05d.) in the corresponding quarter of 1914. It was decided to delay the annual meeting until the actual terms of the Insurance dispensing 1916 agreements are known. An interesting informal chat took place on the changes involved by the increased medicine-duty, and it was suggested that chemists should increase the selling prices of their own proprietary articles now sold at 1s. to 1s. 3d. instead of 1s. 14d. The Poole pharmaeists entertained their fellow members at the close of the meeting.

Exeter.—Mr. Eric Lemmon presided at a meeting of the Association of Pharmacists on September 24. Mr. D. Reid Association of Pharmacists on September 24. Mr. D. Reid agreed that either Mr. Harris or he would represent the Association at the L.A.C. The proposed new Tariff was discussed, the general opinion being that it would be a great injustice to pharmacists if the scheme is adopted in its present form. The Chairman described the proposals as iniquitous and the establishment allowance as inadequate. Mr. Milton thought the Association should oppose

quate. Mr. Milton thought the Association should oppose the proposals in every possible way, and Mr. Harris suggested that they should be allowed at least 2d. for establishment expenses. The Chairman complained that the Departmental Committee had not taken into account all the "odds and ends." which mean additional expense.

Gloucestershire. Mr. W. II. Hill presided at a meeting of the Pharmacists' Association on September 23. The London County Pharmaceutical Association's propaganda was heartily supported. The Secretary introduced an interesting discussion on the desirability of obtaining a weekly report of any rise in drug prices so that members could be apprised and minimum retail prices fixed. apprised and minimum retail prices fixed.

apprised and minimum retail prices fixed. **Grimsby.**—Mr. Dewing presided at a meeting of the Pharmacists' Association held at the Heron Hotel on September 21. A communication from the P.A.T.A. was read suggesting that a meeting should be held to advance the work of the P.A.T.A. locally, and it was resolved to reply that as most of the members of the Association are members of the P.A.T.A. no meeting is necessary. Mr. Dewing was elected delegate to the L.A.C., and instructed to support the motion to stop breaking bulk of stamped medicines. The model Drug Tariff was discussed, and it was pointed out that such a Tariff could not benefit pharmacists in an area where all accounts had been paid pharmacists in an area where all accounts had been paid

in full.

Halifax.—Mr. H. K. Woodward presided at a meeting of the Chemists' Association on September 24, when Mr. P. W. Swire was appointed delegate to the L.A.C. Messis, Dixon, Taylor, Proctor, and the Secretary were deputed to compile a list of charges for mixtures of the new local Insurance Formulary as soon as the October approved pricelists are available, and to supply copies to panel chemists. The Secretary (Mr. R. V. Sutcliffe) was instructed to make a strong appeal to several firms for a more reasonable margin of profit to the retailer on the sale of their proprietary preparations.

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\*\*Hampshire.\*\*—Mr. C. S. Davies. Havant. presided at a meeting of the Pharmacists' Association, held at Winchester, on September 22, the President (Mr. F. E. Bilson) being unable to attend. The five points which will come before the L.A.C. were discussed and unanimously agreed to. Mr. S. G. Bartlett, Chairman of the Pharmaceutical Committee, and Mr. C. H. Baker. Secretary, were appointed delegates. It was also resolved: (a) That the stock-mixture clause be abolished from the Tariff; (b) that the Pharmaceutical Society approach the Inland Revenue authorities with a view to preventing the opening of patent packages and retailing in small quantities, and draw their attention to the practice carried on by unlicensed persons; and (c) that the delegates put before the L.A.C. the view of the Association, that unless the co-operation of the company pharmacies be obtained a resolution on the five points would be inoperative. Three guineas was voted to the Serbian Relief Fund.

\*\*Hartlepool.\*\*—A meeting of the Hartlepools and District Pharmacists' Association was held at the Oddfellows' Hall. York Read, on September 27, Alderman T. Clarkson presiding over a moderate attendance. The Secretary reported that as the deficits in the area were approximately 5½ per cent, for 1913 and 4 per cent, for 1914, no cr gratia grant can be claimed. While the discounting was generally considered utfair, the settlement, under the circumstances, was regarded as satisfactory. The Secretary (Mr. A. Timmin's) was appointed delegate to attend the L.A.C. in London on October 22. The Denartmental Committee's report on the Drug Tariff was fully considered, and it was unanimously agreed that the suggested '337, is totally insufficient for establishment expenses.

\*\*Liverpool.\*\*—Mr. G. V. C. Last presided at a meeting of the Liverp of Chen ists' Association on Wednesday. Sectember 22. Mr. Gaylor (Liscard) and Mr. C

London.—Mr. Edmund White presided as a meeting of the Executive Committee of the County Pharmaceutical

Association at 17 Bloomsbury Square, on September 28. Association at 11 biodissory square, on september 20. It was agreed to hold the monthly meetings on the third Tuesday in each month instead of the fourth Tuesday as heretofore. After consideration of the particulars of A. & F. Pears' new offer to the trade it was resolved:

That the Executive Committee of the London County Pharmaceutical Association receive with favour the new offer made by Messrs. A. & F. Pears on the sale of all their products, which ensures to the retailer a

of all their products, which ensures to the retailer a reasonable profit at protected minimum retail prices, and recommend that London chemists accept same and give practical support to the endeavours made on their behalf. The annual meeting was fixed for October 23, at 3 P.M. Several reports were considered, and a long discussion took place on the report of the Departmental Committee on the Drug Tariff, and it was agreed to abide by the decision of the L.A.C. on October 20; also to recommend the adoption of the report by District Associations. Messrs. E. A. Atkins, A. H. Jenkin, and G. A. Tocher were appointed delegates to the L.A.C., and Mr. A. H. Jenkin was nominated for the Executive Committee of Local Associations. After considerable discussion it was agreed that the following resolutions should be forwarded to the Local Associations Executive Committee for inclusion on the Conference agenda: Conference agenda:

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(a) That a Committee be formed with power to act on all purely trade matters of national interest.

(b) That the London County Pharmaceutical Association recommends the Conference of Local Associations to urge chemist throughout the country to support, in a practical manner, the efforts made on their behalf in obtaining better terms for the sale of the goods of Messrs, A. & F. Pears' manufacture.

(c) That it be a recommendation from the London County Pharmaceutical Association to the Conference to adopt the Report of the Departmental Committee on the Drug Tariff.

(d) That the Associations' Conference shall be held annually.

London M. —A meeting of the North London Pharmaceists Association was held on Thursday afternoon, September 30, at St. Padarn's, Salterton Road, Holloway, N., when the Departmental Report on the Drug Tariff was discussed.

London S.E.:—The first meeting of the winter session of the South-East London Pharmacists' Association was held at Maitland House, 134 Greenwich Road, S.E., on September 23. Mr. A. J. Wing (President) in the chair. About forty members were present. After Mr. G. A. Tocher had reported on Insurance dispensing matters, the members discussed the Report of the Departmental Committee on the Drug Tariff, eventually postponing further discussion to a subsequent meeting. Commandant E. A. Atkins addressed the meeting on "The Pharmacists' Volunteer Training Corps: Its Aims and Objects." He gave an account of the work done and outlined the future policy of the Corps, stating that by means of this Corps and others which are being, or will be, formed in different centres, it is hoped to prove to the Government that pharmacists are worthy of better recognition than has hitherto been meted London S.E. .- The first meeting of the winter session worthy of better recognition than has hitherto been meted out to them by the military authorities. A discussion followed, and several members intimated their intention of joining the movement. Commandant Atkins was cordially thanked for his address. It was decided to hold future meetings in Maitland House.

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Manchester.—The syllabus of the Pharmaceutical Association for 1915-16 provides for seven meetings. A satisfactory programme is submitted, including a discussion on trade topics, introduced by Messrs. A. Hershberg and G. A. Mallinson, on October 13: a conference with Mr. W. J. Uglow Woolcock on November 10: a smoking-concert on January 12. 1916: and an address and lectures by Messrs, L. Moreton Parry, Jas. Grier, M.Sc., and W. Kirkby, M.Sc. The meetings of the Association are held in the Manchester Chess Club Room, 65 Market Street, on the second Wednesday of each month during the session.

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North Staffordshire.—Mr. T. Charles (Burslem) presided at a meeting of the County Chemists' Association at Stoke on September 27. Some notes by Mr. Woolcock explaining the proposed new Tariff were read, the most important of the items being that if three different classes of appliances occur on a prescription (e.g., lint, wool, and bandages), there would be an establishment charge for each. The prices in the Model Tariff were prepared from a list some weeks back, and are given only to convey an idea of the scheme. Chemists need have no fear that these will be the actual prices if the new Tariff is accepted, as the whole list will have to be most carefully revised. The Chairman considered the proposed Tariff for appliances and dressings to be very inequitable: at least 5 per cent, should be added to the list as regards dressings, and he thought the establishment-fee should be larger, Mr. T. C. Cornwell submitted that the principle of cost price plus

fees is the thing to decide. He pointed out that cost price for dressings does not allow for wastage. They should have at least 10 per cent. more than cost. Mr. Prince said that they should stick to the cost-price basis and press for a larger establishment-fee. He had calculated the dispensing-fee reckoned on the old and new Tariffs on a number of prescriptions taken indiscriminately. On the new the average was 2.94d., and on the old 2.17d. Ultimately the following resolution was adopted: "That the establishment-charge be not applied to dressings and appliances; dressings and appliances; to be charged at list price plus a reasonable trade profit." On the motion of the Chairman, it was agreed that the price of containers should be revised. It was also resolved that the establishment-charge is inadequate. In the event of the present Tariff being continued, it was agreed that it is desirable that the Local Associations Executive Committee should give Pharmaceutical Committees in discounted areas a lead as to the attitude they should adopt, with a view to uniform action being taken. Mr. Bloor raised the question of dispensing after closing-hours, and it was resolved "that prescriptions brought after closing-hours and marked 'Urgent' should earry a special dispensing-fee."

Portsmouth.—At the first meeting of the Winter Session of the local Association on September 28 Mr. T. O. Barlow (President) occupied the chair. The agenda of the L.A.C. was considered, and the President was elected delegate. The Departmental Committee's Report on the Drug Tariff met with severe criticism, the meeting being inclined to favour present conditions, discounting clause included. Consideration of the question of the opening of packages of proprietary pills was postponed in view of an address hy a representative of the P.A.T.A. to the Association at an early date.

**Southport.**—The annual general meeting of the Southport and District Pharmacists' and Assistants' Association was held at Birkdale on September 21, Mr. James Righton presiding over an attendance of nine members. Officers for the ensuing session were elected as follows: President, Mr. Charles Hare; Vice-President, Mr. F. Battersby; Treasurer, Mr. W. H. Smith; Secretary, Mr. R. H. West. On the motion of Mr. Hare, a vote of thanks was awarded to the retiring office-bearers. Mr. Hare was appointed delegate to the L.A.C. Mr. F. Battersby suggested that an "exchange" on the lines of that of the Wigan Association would be useful to the members, and this was agreed to.

Worcestershire.—A meeting of the Worcester City and County Pharmacists' Association was held at Kidderminster on September 23, Mr. Maurice Smith (Kidderminster) in the chair. The agenda of the LaAC, was gone through seriatim, and it was decided that members are not yet in a position to express an opinion on the Report of the Departmental Committee on the Drug Tariff; also it was agreed that the discounting clause must go. Messrs. Maurice Smith (Kidderminster), S. Harris (Droitwich), and Donald G. Pout (Worcester) were appointed delegates to the LaAC. Mr. F. W. Biggs drew attention to the fact that Panel chemists are supplying many drugs at less than cost price, and if the discounting clause is put into operation for 1915, the loss on those drugs will be considerable. He thought steps should be taken to include them in the monthly Tariff. It was pointed out that the Commissioners will not agree to further additions. The Secretary (Mr. Donald Pout) announced that as a result of representations by the Association a class in pharmaceutical chemistry will be held at the Victoria Institute, Worcester, commencing on October 5. The class will meet every Tuesday from 2 p.m. to 4.30 p.m., fee 10s.

Wrexham.—Mr. C. G. Caldecott, Ph.C. (President), pre-

Wrexham.—Mr. C. G. Caldecott, Ph.C. (President), presided at a meeting of the Pharmaeists' Association held at the Imperial Hotel on September 22. Mr. J. E. Jones (Cefn. Ruabon) was appointed Secretary in place of Mr. J. W. Richardson. The President expressed pleasure at the presence of Mr. J. B. Francis, J.P., who has recovered from his indisposition, and, on the motion of Mr. L. B. Rowland, seconded by Mr. F. Fitziohn. Mr. Francis was congratulated on his appointment to the P.A.T.A. Council. Mr. P. W. Savage was elected a member of the Association, the President was appointed delegate to the L.A.C., and Mr. T. J. Roberts (Ruthin) was nominated to the L.A.C. Executive. The meeting decided that breaking bulk of stamped medicines should be stopped. It was unanimously resolved to support the movement in favour of increasing profits on pronrietary articles, and a strong feeling was expressed in favour of refusing to handle articles advertised in the prescription style, but it was felt that this should be dealt with by the P.A.T.A. The fixing of retail prices of spirituous preparations in demand in the district and the discussion of the proposed new Drug Tariff were deferred.

# Insurance Act Dispensing.

A Record of matters concerning Chemists' interests in the National Health Insurance Acts.

#### Reports from Local Centres.

With special reference to the supply of medicines and appliances. See also Winter Session.

#### ENGLAND.

Birmingham.—The Finance Sub-Committee reported, in a statement to the Insurance Committee on September 28, regarding the Drug Fund, that the total under the emergency settlement for 1914 is 27,1867, and the amount advanced 23,6937, the balance available for distribution being 3,4937. The amount available represents 88 per cent of the amounts of chemists' accounts (30,9017.), the deficiency being 3,7157. In all 131 chemists, whose accounts represent 95.8 per cent of the 1914 accounts, have accepted the emergency settlement, and cheques amounting to 3,2737. have been issued to them. Twelve chemists have not accepted the settlement. The Sub-Committee expressed the opinion that the chemists have good grounds for protesting against the discounting of their accounts to the extent of 8,0527, for the two years, and recommended that the Clerk should be instructed to inform the Commissioners that the amounts of the discounts were unreasonably high, and to ask that a further grant should he made to reduce the deficiency. The Medical Service Sub-Committee reported consideration of a complaint of negligence against a panel doctor. They found the charge substantiated, and recommended that the doctor be censured and required to arrange that prompt attention be given to insured patients in the future. A request from Mr. T. W. Chapman, 189 Bristol Street, that his name should be removed from the chemists' panel was acceded to.

Brighton.—At a meeting of the Insurance Committee on September 24, the Medical Service Sub-Committee recommended that the attention of a certain panel practitioner should be called to the Committee's resolution of November 26, 1914, prohibiting the use of "Rep. mist." prescriptions. The Medical Benefit Sub-Committee reported that during the quarter ended June 30 23.712 prescriptions (value 8791, and average cost 8.89d.) had been dispensed. Advances on account of these of 520l. had been made. It was decided that the monthly payments to chemists in respect of their accounts should be at the rate of 75 per cent. till September 30. The Sub-Committee also reported consideration of the report of the Panel Committee upon their investigations of prescriptions for 1913 at the instance of the Pharmaceutical Committee. The Panel Committee stated that, in their opinion, the cost of the drugs ordered by the nineteen practitioners concerned during the three months ended January 11, 1914, was not in excess of what was reasonably necessary for the adequate treatment of their respective patients. The Sub-Committee stated that they found it difficult to reconcile the opinion of the Panel Committee with the tabulated statistics; also that, in their opinion, the report of the Panel Committee did not contain the information required under Article 40 of the Regulations, but that having regard to the lapse of time, etc., no action should now be taken by the Committee. The reports were adopted.

Burnley.—It was reported to the Insurance Committee on September 28 that for the quarter ended June 30, 1915, 27,409 prescriptions (value 736*l*., and average cost 6,44*d*.) were dispensed, compared with 33,502 prescriptions (value 1,956*l*., and average cost 6,88*d*.) for the preceding quarter, and 3,502 prescriptions (value 1,444*l*., and average cost 8,71*d*.) for the corresponding quarter of 1914.

Gloucester.—At the meeting of the Insurance Committee, dissatisfaction was expressed at the delay in settling chemists' accounts for 1914. The Chairman explained that the delay was due to the difficulties arising through enlistments, and stated that chemists might look for payment at an early date.

Hampshire.—At a meeting of the Finance Sub-Committee at Winchester on September 15, it was resolved to pay ehemists' August accounts as elecked, and also the balance of the 1914 accounts. The Medical Benefit Sub-Committee on September 24 elected Messrs. Gee and Hutehings representatives of the Insurance Committee and the Prescription Checking Sub-Committee.—At a meeting of the Pharmaceutical Committee, on September 22, the Prescription-checker's report for 1914 was adopted, and it was recommended that mustand-leaves should in future be allowed. The annual report of the Committee (C. & D., September 4, p. 54) was adopted.

Hertfordshire.-It was reported to the Insurance Com-Hertfordshire.—It was reported to the Insurance Committee on September 20 that the credits under the emergency settlement for 1914 will allow of chemists' accounts being paid in full. Ex-gratia payments for war-scheduled drugs amounting to 191. 15s. 10d. had been made to chemists who filled in the necessary forms. The Clerk stated that Mr. E. J. George, checker, reported with regard to accounts submitted by a firm of chemists that excessive quantities of drugs were supplied at more frequent intervals than would be required. The Pharmaceutical Committee reported that the matter should come before the full Committee and it was referred to a small Sub-Committee. mittee, and it was referred to a small Sub-Committee.

Huddersfield. -The Insurance Committee on September 22 passed a resolution protesting against the large sums reserved by the Commissioners from the Medical Benefit credits for 1915 on account of enlistments, and against the non-settlement of chemists' and doctors' accounts for 1914. The resolution is to be brought to the notice of the responsible Minister by the local member of Parliament.

**Liverpool.**—Under the auspices of the Liverpool hemists' Association an "open meeting" was held at Liverpool.—Under the auspices of the Liverpool Chemists Association an "open meeting" was held at the Royal Institution, Colquitt Street, on Wednesday, September 29. Mr. G. V. C. Last presided. The attendance was large, Nearly two hours were devoted to a friendly discussion: (1) of the Report of the Departmental Committee on the National Insurance Tariff, (2) to the proposals of the London Association for the Conference of Association delegates to be held in London on October 20, (3) to decide what action the delegates (Mr. Last and Mr. W. H. Clubb) should take. The Chairman advised the meeting to limit discussion and resolution on the Tariff to the 0.8d. proposed for establishment charges. Much conversation however ensued, and the whole range of the subject sation however ensued, and the whole range of the subject

"That this meeting is horrified at the proposal, feels it cannot instruct its conference representatives to agree to accept such an offer, and suggests that new agreements on such a basis be not signed."

"The transfer weighted but as an example of the loss."

Mr. Kennedy pointed out, as an example of the loss which would be sustained by selling appliances at cost price, that a belladonna-plaster at 1s, 5d, a yard would out to waste when specified sizes were prescribed, and cut to waste when specified sizes were prescribed, and might actually cost at the rate of 2s. 6d. per vard. [Belladona-plaster is a drug, not an appliance.—Editor C. & D.] Eventually it was unanimously agreed that the 0.8d. for establishment charges must be reported by the delegates to be insufficient, several increases, each considerable, being suggested. The meeting voted in favour of: [a] The breaking bulk of proprietary pills; (b) a minimum profit of 25 per cent. on patents, perfumes, and toilescaps: (c) 20 per cent. on infants' foods, but by a small majority against absolute refusal to stock or sell proprietary articles advertised by the prescription method. The practicability of carrying out the last refusal was doubted, and Mr. Kennedy argued that pharmacists derived great advantage from the advertisements referred to. An appeal was made for recruits to the Liverpool Pharmacists' Voluntary Training Corps, which, founded on the London lines, has already over fifty members and the London lines, has already over fifty members and sought to raise 100 to 150.

Portsmouth. - The Clerk to the Insurance Committee has issued to doctors and chemists under contract with the Committee a booklet containing notes and general information for panel doctors and chemists. Notes for pharmacists include information as to hours of supply, urgencyfees, copying-fee, foods, toilet-preparations, disinfectants, appliances, "repeat" mixtures, prescriptions, signature of prescriber on prescriptions, and accounts. The notes for doctors include a list of proprietary preparations and

Plymouth.—At a meeting of the Insurance Committee, on September 24, it was resolved to call the attention of the Commissioners to the fact that, owing to enlistment of many of the best lives among the insured in the area, an unfair burden is placed on the Medical Benefit Fund, and arging the Government to make a special war grant to meet any deficiency in that Fund. The Committee also decided to support the Dephyship Committee's resolution. meet any deficiency in that Fund. The Committee also decided to support the Derbyshire Committee's resolution, complaining of the deductions from the quarterly credits for Medical Benefit, and asking for more generous treatment on the part of the Treasury. Mr. Roper pointed out that chemists are not specially mentioned in the Derbyshire resolution, whereas they had been supplying drugs from the commencement and had not been paid for them. It was decided to add chemists to the first resolution. The Clerk reported a shortage in the number of prescriptions. Clerk reported a shortage in the number of prescriptions returned by the Commission after investigation by the Drug Tariff Committee, and the Pharmaceutical Com mittee has been asked whether the lost prescriptions should

be treated at face value or the chemists should be debited or credited in the average correction found necessary in other prescriptions by the checker. The Pharmaceutical Committee decided that they should be taken at face value.

Sheffield. -The Insurance Commissioners appointed Mr. J. T. Appleton, chemist, Walkley and Hillsborough, to fill the vacancy on the Insurance Committee caused by the resignation of Mr. G. T. W. Newsholme, Ph.C. Mr. Appleton is a member of the Sheffield and West Riding Pharmaceutical Committees. The general opinion Riding Pharmaceutical Committees. The general opinion of the report of the Departmental Committee on the Drug Tariff, among local chemists, is, on the whole, favourable, but it is claimed by all that the establishment-charge should be increased. Pharmacists favour the pricing of prescriptions by the Insurance Committee, provided proper safeguards are assured, as this part of the work has proved irksome in the past. The alterations in the prices of panel Formulary preparations for October are: No. 2, 1½d.; No. 4, 2½d.; No. 5, 6d.; No. 8, 3d.; No. 25, 9d.; No. 49, 5½d.; No. 51, 11½d.; No. 62, 8d.; No. 66, 1s. 1d.; No. 67, 3½d.; No. 74, 9d.

Shropshire.—The Pharmaceutical Committee met on

Shropshire.—The Pharmaceutical Committee met on September 23. Mr. W. Gowen Cross, Ph.C., presiding. It was reported that chemists' 1914 accounts would be discounted 8 to 10 per cent. under the final settlement. The meeting resolved that a protest be sent to the Medical Benefit Sub-Committee, and a further resolution to the Panel Committee requesting them to take action with regard to several cases of wasteful prescribing noted by the checker. The large amount of malt and oil prescribed the checker. The large amount of malt and oil prescribed for patients in the urban districts was considered to be excessive, and it was pointed out that much of this should properly be charged to the Sanatorium Benefit Fund.

Smethwick.—The 1914-15 report of the Insurance Committee, recently issued, indicates that there is every prospect that the 1915 Drug Fund will be sufficient to pay chemists' accounts in full. The following summary of accounts is given:

				Average Cost
			Number of	per Insured
	$\Delta$	ccounts	Prescriptions	Person on
Period		£	(Approx.)	Doctors' Lists
1st half, 1913	 	1,285	44,827	2s. 4d.
2nd half, 1913	 	1.407	45,211	40.40.
1st half, 1914	 	1,522	48.845)	2s. 0.7d.
2nd half, 1914	 	954	31.404	48. U. I.a.
1st half, 1915	 	954	37,713	9.3 <i>d</i> .

It is stated that there is no intentional excessive prescribing It is stated that there is no intentional excessive prescribing in the area, and very little otherwise. Chemists have refused the emergency settlement for 1914, under which payments of 91.5 per cent. of the amounts of their accounts was offered. A local Formulary has been adopted for use by practitioners, and came into operation on January 1, 1915. There are twenty-seven chemists (thirty-five shops) on the dispensing panel. The Medical Service Sub-Committee considered five complaints against panel practitioners. There were no complaints against chemists.

Soke of Peterborough.—At a recent meeting of the Insurance Committee a member asked whether an insured patient could be supplied with an elastic stocking instead of an elastic bandage. The patient's panel doctor agreed that a stocking would be preferable, but these are not included in the Tariff. The Clerk stated that appliances not on the Tariff list could only be supplied by order of the Medical Benefit Sub-Committee, and in this case it was agreed that the stocking should be supplied. It was pointed out that elastic stockings are cheaper than the necessary length of elastic bandage. Dr. Clapham asked if dispensing doctors could supply necessary drugs and appliances not doctors could supply necessary drugs and appliances not in the Tariff and charge the Committee, and a long discussion ensued on this point. Finally, it was decided that the Clerk should obtain the opinion of the Commissioners on the matter.

Southport.—The Insurance Committee on September 28 decided, on the recommendation of the Finance Sub-Committee, to pay 66.6 per cent. of the amounts of the chemists' accounts for July. Previous to June 1915 chemists' accounts were paid in full.

West Bromwich.—A meeting of the Pharmaceutical Committee was held on September 23. Messrs, Allen, Lock, and Kemsey-Bourne were elected as a Sub-Committee and to act as the Pharmaceutical Service Sub-Committee. The Secretary was instructed to make the necessary arrangements for the collection by the Insurance Committee of chemists' share of the expenses of the checking of prescriptions. The checker's report for the quarter ended June 30 showed that 15.626 prescriptions (value 3781., and average cost 5.81d.) were dispensed. Attention was directed to excessive and expensive prescribing by certain doctors.

Mistakes in pricing by chemists were usually to the Insurance Committee's advantage. The average cost per prescription for doctors with representative lists was shown as follows: 912 patients, 5.21*d*.: 417, 6.16*d*.; 718, 5.64*d*.; 1,086, 5.93*d*.; 2,055, 5.76*d*.; 751, 7.63*d*.; 1,764, 6.49*d*.; 2,561, 5.27*d*.; 1,583, 4.32*d*.; 824, 7.34*d*.; 703, 4.35*d*.

Worcestershire .- The new Pharmaceutical Committee met at Kidderminster on September 23, when the following office-bearers and members of Committee were appointed: office-bearers and members of Committee were appointed: Chairman, Mr. W. Corbett (Bromsgrove); Vice-Chairman, Mr. A. W. Gedge (Malvern Link); Secretary, Mr. Donald Pout (Worcester); Pharmaceutical Service Sub-Committee, Messrs. Corbett, Gedge, and S. Harris; Joint Services Sub-Committee, Messrs. Corbett and Gedge. The report for 1914-15 was considered and adopted. The Clerk of the Insurance Committee wrote stating that, in view of the Commissioners' instructions the Committee consider it in-advisable to pay more than 80 per cent. of chemists' accounts. The Committee had considered the Pharmaaccounts. The Committee had considered the rhamber ceutical Committee's suggestions regarding prescription-checking, and decided that the existing system is adequate for the present. The following pharmacists were nominated for the present. for the present. The following pharmacists were nominated to serve on District Committees: Mr. J. J. Meakins (Evesham); Messrs. W. W. Price and T. G. Rhodes (Kidderminster); Mr. A. W. Smith (Pershore); and Messrs. S. S. Taylor and Dolphin (Redditch).

#### SCOTLAND.

Banffshire.-It was reported to the Insurance Committee on September 18 that ehemists' accounts for 1914 would be paid in full. For the first quarter of 1915 85 per cent. of the accounts had been paid, and for the second quarter 6d. per prescription, pending checking by the Central Bureau.

Edinburgh.-The Insurance Committee on September 23 approved of a temporary arrangement by Mr. John Muir, approved of a temporary arrange and the provided of a temporary chemist, 7 Crichton Place, Leith Walk, to close daily between 2 and 3 p.m. owing to the searcity of assistants. It was reported that copies of Appendices VII. and VIII. to the Drug Tariff had been distributed to panel practitioners. The name of Mr. John Lochran, chemist and druggist, 463 Lawnmarket, was added to the list of dispensing chemists. A report from the Central Checking Bureau on the May prescriptions was remitted for joint consideration and report to a Special Sub-Committee and representatives of the Pharmaceutical Committee. The Clerk reported that chemists had been paid 363l. for July and 342l. for August, and that the Committee has still in hand the balances due for January to May (302l.). The drug accounts for the first half of 1915 amounted to 3,430l.

**Kirkcaldy.** -At a meeting of the Insurance Committee, on September 24, the Chairman (Councillor Garnock) said that there is a suggestion to abolish separate Insurance Commissions for Scotland and Wales, and there is a feeling that the smaller Committees, such as Kirkcaldy, with 40,000 of a population, might also be abolished in the near future. In the area they had about 15,000 insured persons, and were spending 7,0007, annually on Medical Benefit. Judgo Peebles (chemist) spoke on the improvement of the general health of the community and against any proposal for the merging of the Burgh into the County Committee. The County Insurance Committee, on September 25, protested against the suggested abolition of the Scottish Insurance Commission.

Selkirkshire.—The Insurance Committee, on September 23, approved of the proposals forwarded by the Central Checking Bureau regarding chemists' accounts. A letter was read from the Sceretary of the Pharmaceutical Committee suggesting that the prescribing of proprietary medicines and secret remedies should not be allowed. A list of substitutes was forwarded which, it was suggested, should be adopted by the Committee. Replying to a question, the Clerk stated that in 1913 the Committee paid to chemists bonuses of 48 per cent., and in 1914 801 in the form of bonuses. Mr. O'Hara thought the Committee ought to carry this money forward, and it was decided to remit the matter to the Medical Benefit Sub-Committee.

Stirlingshire. -The Medical Benefit Sub-Committee on September 22 reported to the Insurance Committee that the Pharmaceutical Committee is opposed to the Central Checking Bureau pricing prescriptions, and the Commissioners were asked to authorise the present arrangements to be continued, which they have done. The Pharmaceutical Committee has agreed to contribute one-third of the local share of the expenses of the Central Checking Bureau (not exceeding 25t.). The Clerk did not anticipate that the contribution required would exceed that amount.

#### Pharmaceutical Standing Committee (Scotland).

The Committee met at 36 York Place, Edinburgh, on Wednesday, September 22. Present: Messrs. Bell, Bennett, Cox, Drummond, Forbes, Giles, D. Gilmour, T. Guthrie, Kitchin, McNab, McVitaè, Reekie, Simpson, and Yule. Mr. J. P. Gilmour was also present. Mr. Guthrie was elected Chairman, and Mr. David Gilmour Vice-Chairman. An appreciation of Mr. J. P. Gilmour's services was ordered to be entered on the minutes. After some formal business various matters, regarding the business various matters regarding the

DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON THE DRUG TARIFF were considered, Mr. J. P. Gilmour gave his-reasons for signing the Report with reservations. The Committee had not sufficient evidence that the proposed flat rate for establishment charges is fair or adequate. His own experience is that it is far too low. He spoke about his other objections as given in the C, & D. September 18. He expressed his conviction that the estimate that the scale of dispensing fees would give an average fee of 3d, per prescription in Scotland is fallacious, and that the result would be a serious reduction tailacious, and that the result would be a serious reduction in the pharmacist's remuneration. He drew attention also to the circular issued by the British Medical Association ( $\ell\ell$ , & D., September 18, p. 55). This, he said, raised points of very great interest to Panel chemists, and deserved their most serious consideration.

Mr. Kitchin submitted a detailed analysis of the proposed Drug Tariff and scale of dispensing-fees. He found posed Drug Tariff and scale of dispensing-tees. He found that the Drug Tariff in certain instances results in the chemist getting less than wholesale cost-price for articles supplied. The scale of dispensing-fees is not free from ambiguity, and it will need very careful interpretation before one can be certain what is really intended. Taking what he thought the scale intended, he had priced forty typical National Insurance prescriptions according to the criefing Tariff and also according to the proposed Tariff existing Tariff, and also according to the proposed Tariff, on prices ruling at September 15. Summarised the figures eame out as follows:

Total Values Loss Prescriptions 1915 1916 Drugs Fees Drugs Fees 25 for mixtures, lotions d. 193.00 56 27 2.86 1.05 55.0 125.73 66.0 liniments, &c. ... 3 for powders ... 1 for ointments ... 12.5 7.0 3.0 7.24 1.85 9.4 ... 1 for pills... ... ... 3 for capsules and palati-3.0 4.0 0.35 1.05 5.6 39.0 14.0 32.07 15.53 5.4 13.2 noids ... 3 for tablets 3.62 1.58 9.0 1.18 ... 0.82 2 for plasters 6.0 2 for suppositories 22.5 10.5 8.4 288.5 183.64 86.46 Totals 92.0 110.4 380.5 29+.04 Grand total ...

Thus the proposed Drug Tariff gives 7s.  $2\frac{1}{2}d$ . less for the forty prescriptions, or 2.16d. less per prescription, which is almost 23 per cent. Mr. Kitchin concluded that the proposal is hopelessly inadequate. Mr. Simpson said he had, in the limited time available, endeavoured to test the new or the limited time available, endeavoured to test the new Drug Tariff and seale of dispensing-fees, and his results practically corroborated Mr. Kitchin. After a full discussion it was unanimously resolved to remit the matter to the Sub-Committee on Drug Tariff, Statistics, and Agreements, with instructions to intimate to the Scottish Insurance Commissioners that the Standing Committee is unanimously of opinion that it is financially impossible to accept the proposals of the Departmental Committee Report as they stand as a basis of agreement for National Health Insurance Pharmaceutical Service. It was further remitted to the Sub-Committee to go more thoroughly into the whole matter, and prepare a report and recommendations to be submitted to a meeting of the Standing Committee on Wednesday, October 13, and to be considered by a meeting of the General Council of Panel Chemists (Scotland) to be called for the afternoon of the same day. The Sub-Committee was further empowered to communicate with the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, and if deemed advisable, arrange to be heard by deputation. Mr. Forbes suggested that the Sub-Committee might consider low far, and in what way, it might be possible to reach a basis of agreement by a satisfactory modification along the general lines of the Departmental Committee's Report.

Mr. Balfour Reckie was elected a member of the Sub-Committee on Drug Tariff, Statistics, and Agreements, in room of Mr. J. P. Gilmour.

Trade Report.

The prices given in this section are those obtained by importers or manufacturers for bulk quantities or original packages. To these prices various charges have to be added, whereby values are in many instances greatly augmented before wholesale dealers receive the goods into stock, after which much expense may be incurred in garbling and the like. Qualities of chemicals, drugs, oils, and many other commodities vary greatly, and higher prices than those here quoted are charged for selected qualities of natural products even in bulk quantities. Retail buyers cannot, therefore, for these and other reasons, expect to purchase at the prices quoted here,

42 Cannon Street, E.C., September 30, 6.30 p.m.

BUSINESS is reported as not being so brisk this week, and, although there is no particular weakening tendency in values of synthetic chemicals, the bull in demand continues, and, apart from the large outlay of capital, buyers are cautious in stocking articles at present inflated prices. We understand that the War Trade Department has suddenly become more rigorous again in granting export permits, and refusals have been on a larger scale. There is no particular difficulty in obtaining permits for miscellaneous drugs and chemicals for the Colonies. the restrictions applying more for exports to neutral and allied countries for large quantities, which are turned down altogether. Among chemicals, bichromates have been advanced  $\frac{1}{2}d$ . per lb.: sulphate of copper is quotably Gearer. Nitrate of soda is firmer; soda hyposulphite and ammonia sulphate are easier. Cream of tartar and tartaric acid are both firm. Citric acid is steadier. Refined camphor is steady and menthol firmer on spot, with business at the recent advance. Quinine is very firm, and cod-liver oil is not likely to be any cheaper this winter.

Among drugs, castor oil is dearer; ipccacuanha is steady; kola firm; and nux vomica easier; otto of rose is dearer. The opium alkaloids are very firm, makers being extremely busy and having to refuse business. Among seeds, canary and fenugreek are steady: caraway. feunel, and linseed firm; coriander and cumin dearer. Cinnamon is higher. French herbs, such as sage, marjoram, mint, etc., yield smaller crops this year, and prices are higher. The principal changes are as under:

Higher	Firmer	Easier	Lower
Acetic acid Bichromates Cinnamon Coriander seed Cumin seed Glucose Orris Otto of rose Soda chromate	Castor oil Copper sulphate Cottonseed oil Menthol Opium Peppermint oil (Amer.) Quinine Rape oil	Ammonia sulphate Celery-seed Epsom salt Lemon oil Lime oil (W.I.) Nux vomica Palm oil Soda	Cocaine Coconut oil (Ceylon c.i.f.) Furpentine

A drug-auction will be held next Thursday, October 7.

#### Cablegram.

New York. September 30. Business in drugs is active. Opium has advanced to \$8.25. Peppermint oil in tins is firmer at \$1.60. Menthol is steady at \$2.60. Curação aloes is easier at 13c., and Mexican sarsaparil!a at 13c. Serpentary is easier at 35c., and balsam Peru is dearer at \$3.75.

#### London Markets.

ACETIC ACID is a very firm market owing to the scarcity of acetate of lime, and makers have been compelled to raise their prices to 110%, per ton for glacial 99 to 100 per cent., and to 86%, for 80-per-cent, commercial cx whar.

ACETIC ANHYDRIDE is now being produced largely in Holland and reasonable supplies can be obtained at short notice. ACETONE on spot is extremely scarce, being worth fully 160s. per ewt.

AGUR-AGAR.—Sales of No. 1 Kobe strip for January-February shipment have been made at is,  $9\frac{1}{2}d$ . per lb. c.i.f. AMMONIA SULPHATE is dull and the turn easier at 131. 15s. per ton net, naked at works, London, for 25-per-cent. ammonia; Hull, 24-per-cent., is 14*l*. 7*s*. 6*d*.; Liverpool, 14*l*. 10*s*.; Leith, 14*l*. 12*s*. 6*d*. per ton in bags f.o.b., less

Anise Oil, STAR.—To arrive further business has been done in "Red Ship" brand for October-November shipment at 2s. 10½d, per lb. c.i.f.; spot scllers quote 3s. 3d.

Aniseed.—Spanish is offering at 41s. per cwt. on the spot. Arrowhoot.—St. Vincent manufacturing quality is quoted at  $2\frac{5}{8}d$ . to  $2\frac{7}{8}d$ ., and fine ditto 4d. to  $4\frac{3}{4}d$ .

ARSENIC.—The scarcity continues and still higher prices will probably be realised this winter; for best English powdered 30% per ton is quoted.

Balsam Canada is selling at 4s. 3d. per lb. on the spot for finest quality.

Balsam Tolu is steady at from 1s. 10d. to 2s. per lb. spot, as to holder.

Belladonna root.—Nothing is offered on the spot; there is a good inquiry.

Benzoin.—The arrivals this week include about 200 cases from Singapore.

BICHROMATES.—Potash crystals or powder are not officially quoted, and price is a matter of negotiation. Other salts have been advanced \( \frac{1}{2}d \), per lb., and are: Ammonia (78 to 79 per cent. chromic acid), \( 7\_3^4 d. \); soda, powdered anhydrous (73 to 74 per cent.), \( 6d. \); ditto, crystals or cake (67 to 68 per cent.), \( 5\_2^1 d. \); powdered chromate of soda (59 to 60 per cent.), \( 5\_4^1 d. \) per lb., all without engagement.

BISMUTH SUBNITRATE.—American supplies have been absorbed for the time being, and it is difficult to purchase

BEOMIDES.—A few small sales have taken place during the week, but, with the exception of an urgent demand for the ammonium salt, there has been no great activity.

Camphor (Refined) is steady, with spot sales of  $2\frac{1}{2}$ -lb. slabs at 1s. 6d. per lb.; there are sellers of  $\frac{1}{4}$ -oz. tablets at 1s. 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. c.i.f., and on the spot 1s.  $8\frac{1}{2}$ d. is quoted.

CANARY-SEED is steady at 74s. to 77s. 6d. per quarter for fair to good Morocco.

CARAWAY-SEED is firm at 40s. per cwt. for fair Dutch.

Cascara Sagrada remains unaltered, with last year's crop offering at 50s, and 1913 crop at 52s, 6d, on the spot.

Cassia Oil is steady, with sellers of 80 to 85 per cent. at 2s. 72d. to 2s. 8d. per lb. c.i.f., and on the spot sellers quote 3s. 1d.

CASTOR OIL. Italian finest medicinal in tins in cases is quoted at 60s, per cwt. net. English make is 42l, to 42l, 10s, for first pressing in barrels cx wharf London. Hull make of first pressing for November or December delivery is 38l, 10s, and January-June 1916 (equal monthly quantities) 37l. 10s.; pharmaceutical quality in barrels is quoted 3l. 10s. per ton over the price of firsts in barrels. In Liverpool good seconds Calcutta is quoted 3\frac{3}{4}d. to 4d. per lb. on spot.

CELERY-SEED is quoted for prompt shipment at from 130s. to 140s. per cwt. c.i.f., and on the spot values are from 120s. to 125s. The tendency is easier.

CHAMOMILES .- Some small Belgian old crop are offered at 125s. on the spot, and for new French from 135s. to 145s. is

CINNAMON is higher, Ceylon assortment for October-November shipment having been sold at 8d., with  $8\frac{1}{4}d$ . asked; chips offer at  $2\frac{1}{2}d$ . and  $2\frac{7}{12}d$ . c.i.f. for f.a.q. in 2-cwt.

CITRIC ACID has a slightly steadier feeling owing to fewer offers from the producers; substantially prices are unchanged at 3s. 1d. to 3s. 2d.

CLOVES.—Zanzibar are steady on the spot at from  $6\frac{1}{4}d$ . to  $6\frac{1}{2}d$ . per lb., as to quality; to arrive October-December shipment has been sold at  $5\frac{5}{16}d$ . c.i.f. d.w., and value.

COCAINE is slightly cheaper, hydrochloride offering at 13s.

COCOA-BUTTER.—Sellers of English quote 1s.  $8\frac{1}{2}d$ . per lb., which has been paid. The new duty is  $1\frac{1}{2}d$ ., compared with 1d. At auction 50 cases Brazilian sold at 1s.  $7\frac{1}{6}d$ . to 1s.  $6\frac{2}{6}d$ . to 1s. 7d. in bond.

CODEINE is unchanged at 23s. per oz. for the pure crystals. Makers are extremely busy, and are unable to book any large contracts.

Cod-liver Oil.—A Norwegian refiner advises that there COD-LIVER OIL.—A Norwegian remier advises that there has this year already been sold and shipped much larger quantities of oil from Norway than usual, and the remaining stocks are therefore much smaller. Quotations are from 315s. to 325s. (and one of 350s.) c.i.f. London. Our Bergen correspondent writes that the quotation for medicinal oil is nominal.

COPPER SULPHATE is firmer at from 277. 15s. to 28/. per ton for the usual Liverpool brands; there is a fair inquiry. CORIANDER-SEED is dearcr at 13s. 6d. to 14s. per cwt. for common to ordinary Morocco and at 15s, for good.

CREAM OF TARTAR.—Very quiet, but this year's crop of argol, which is likely to be smaller than the previous, helps to keep the market firm at 185s, per cwt. for spot delivery.

Creosote ex beechwood is quoted at 7s.

CUMIN-SEED is dearer, with business at 85s. per cwt. for fair Morocco.

EPSOM SALT is offering at easier prices ex stock from the North of England.

ETHYL MORPHINE.—There are some large orders in hand by makers, and further business cannot be undertaken for the present; 21s, per oz. has been paid.

Fennel-seed is firm at 24s. per cwt.

FENUGREEK-SEED is steady at 11s. 6d. per cwt. for good Morocco.

GINGER.—The private business includes 400 bags fair Cochin at 26s, to 26s, 6d. Calicut is quoted 26s, to 28s., and washed 30s.; C cut in bags, 40s, to 42s, 6d.; common to good common Jamaiea, 55s. to 59s.; and medium, 60s. to 65s.

Herbs.-Very fair arrivals of new French herbs are taking place, including sage, majoram, and mint; supplies are, however, below the average and higher in price.

HONEY is in fair demand, fair to good bright Jamaica offering at 30s, to 32s. 6d. and dull liquid at 27s. 6d. per cwt. At auction in Liverpool 163 barrels Chilian sold at 32s. 6d. to 33s. for pile 1, 28s. 6d. to 29s. for pile 2, and 26s. for pile 3, all from store.

IPECACUANHA is steady. Small sales of Matto Grosso from first-hands have been made at 13s. per lb.

Kola.—At auction in Liverpool 50 bags dried African (naval prize) sold at 7d. per lb. ex store; on the spot (London) from 6d. to  $6\frac{1}{2}d$ . is quoted for West Indian, etc.

LAVENDER-FLOWERS are offered rather more freely, but at very high prices, values being from about 50s, to 85s, per ewt., as to quality.

LEMON OIL.—Some good arrivals having taken place, spot prices are easier, good brands offering at 3s. 10d. on the spot, and to arrive 4s. c.i.f. is quoted. It is reported that an export duty equal to 1d. per lb. has been placed on lemon and one of 2d. on bergamot and orange. A Sicilian advice, dated September 25, reports a quiet market with practically no domand cities results or from already with practically no demand either locally or from abroad, and prices have slightly declined.

LIME OIL.—Demand having fallen off, the tendency is again easier at from 7s. 3d. to 7s. 6d. per lb.

LINSEED is firm at 61s, to 62s, 6d, per quarter for good

LIQUORICE-ROOT.—Supplies are still difficult to obtain, and shippers in the South of France are asking 371. 10s. per ton c.i.f. for common natural; decorticated sticks are quoted 62s, 6d, to arrive.

MENTHOL.—The spot price is firmer at from 9s. to 9s. 3d. for Kobayashi-Suzuki, with small sales.

Morphine is firm at about 13s. 3d. per oz. net for hydrochloride powder. Makers are extremely busy, and refuse to entertain large orders.

Musk.—Artificial powder or crystals (100-per-cent.) is quoted at 31s. per lb. net.

NUX VOMICA.—Owing partly to the decline in freights. market tendency is easier, and bids are being solicited from India for the new crop, but it is yet too early for The spot value of fair Madras is 18s. per cwt. business.

Ohs (Fixed).—Linsted is firmer on the week, pipes on the spot closing at 26s. 6d. and barrels at 27s. 3d. Cotton-seed is dearer at 28s. for crude in pipes, 31s. for pale refined in pipes, and 36s. to 37s. for sweet refined in barrels, all spot. Ceylon Coconit is unchanged at 43s. 6d. in hogsheads and 41s. 6d. in pipes, but prices for shipment are lower at 38l. c.i.f. affoat; Cochin is unchanged at 44s. are lower at 56', c.l.f. alloat; Cochin is unchanged at 44s. to 47s.; London pressed is 32s. 6d. Colza is firm at 34s. to 35s. for ordinary brown, naked, on spot, and 36s. io 38s. for British refined in barrels. Lagos Palm is easier at 29s. 6d. spot, and 27s. 3d. ex store Liverpool. Soya is unchanged at 23s. 6d. c.i.f. London on passage; Hull (spot extracted) is 24s.

Office.—The firmer tendency noted last week has made further progress, inasmuch as 24s, has been paid for Turkey druggists' 11 per-cent, on the spot, and there are further buyers; in Persian a fair business has been done at up

to 21s. for good test.

The gross revenue derived from the sale of opium by the Hong-Kong Government during the period from March

to December 1914 under Government management was \$3,594,284, against the opium-farmers' yearly payment of \$2,573,000. The cost of raw opium and administrative charges amounted roughly to \$900,000. The official report states that the enormous difference between the price of certified Indian opium and of uncertified and Persian opium has encouraged attempts to smuggle the drug through the colony into China on a large scale, and the traffic appears to be increasing. traffic appears to be increasing.

ORRIS.-The Florentine crop, it is said, will be much less and of poorer quality this year. Shippers' prices, however, do not appear to be definitely fixed, and may be expected to open at from 50s. to 60s. per cwt. e.i.f.; spot prices of fairly good Florentine sorts are from 50s. to 52s.

per cwt.; demand has improved of late.

OTTO OF ROSE.—The demand from consumers has improved somewhat, probably owing to the mysterious attitude of Bulgaria, and prices are better at from 25s. to 30s. per English oz. for guaranteed pure on analytical certificate, as to brand.

Palm-Kernels.—At auction in Liverpool 4,703 bags (naval prize) sold  $14l.\ 11s.\ 3d.$  per ton.

PEPPERMINT OIL.—American tin oil is firm at 8s. 3d. to 8s. 6d. per lb. net on the spot.

Phenacetin.—At the present level of prices the production is bound to increase and consumers are cautioned against buying more than current requirements

Potash Permanganate.—Small sales have been made at about 270s. per cwt.

Potash Prussiate is very scarce; small sales have been made at 2s. 5d

Quicksilver closes at from 167. 5s. to 167. 10s. per bottle. QUININE.—Some large sales of the usual Continental brands of sulphate have been made from second-hands at 2s. to 2s.  $0\frac{1}{2}d$ . for prompt delivery, and for December 2s. 2d. has been paid. Certain reasons have prevented the Continental makers from following the advance obtained by second hand holders, and it looks as if the shortage which is likely to exist for the next few months will enable holders to realise a profit at present prices.

QUININE ETHYL CARBONATE is dearer, 70s. per lb. net being asked.

SAFFRON.—Prices vary from 41s. to 45s. per lb. net as to quality, the latter price being for finest genuine Valencia.

SALOL.—Values are from about 28s. to 30s. per lb. as to

Sandalwood Oil is firm at from 30s. to 32s. per lb. for finest English distilled.

Sarsaparilla.—Grey Jamaica is selling in small lots at 1s. 10d. per lb. from first hands, who also quote  $9\frac{1}{2}d$ . net for Vera Cruz on spot.

SENEGA on the spot is quoted at 1s. 11d. net and to arrive at 1s.  $9\frac{1}{2}d$ . c.i.f.

Senna.—At an auction, held on September 23, 243 bales Tinnevelly offered, and about 140 sold at from 1d. to 2d. per lb. decline, comprising common to ordinary small and medium leaf  $5\frac{1}{4}d$ . to  $6\frac{1}{4}d$ ., and fair greenish medium to bold  $6\frac{3}{4}d$ . to  $7\frac{3}{4}d$ . (one lot 8d.). Pods sold at from  $3\frac{1}{4}d$ . to  $4\frac{1}{2}d$ . Alexandrian pods are quoted 2s. 3d. and siftings are scarce at 82d

SHELLAC is quiet with small sales on a basis of 69s. per ewt. for fair TN Orange; good is quoted 70s., fine Orange 82s. 6d. to 85s., A free AC Garnet 66s., and G.A.L. 61s. 6d. The sales for delivery include October at 69s. and December at 70s. 6d.

Soda Нурогноврште.—Spot price is slightly easier at from 17t, 10s. to 18t, per ton ex wharf.

STARCHES.—American pearl is offered at cheaper rates in all positions, especially for spring 1916 delivery. The spot (London) price is 13s.  $10\frac{1}{2}d$ . and powdered 14s.  $1\frac{1}{2}d$ .

Sulphonal is quoted at 30s, per lb. Tartaric Acid is firm at from 2s. 2d, to 2s.  $2\frac{1}{2}d$ , per lb. on spot.

Turpentine had advanced to 35s. 10½d. per cwt. by Wednesday for American on the spot, but to-day (Thursday, 4 p.m.) the market fell to 35s. 3d. (paid).
Wax, Bees:—At auction in Liverpool 518 blocks Sierra Leone sold at 7l. per cwt.
Wax, Vegetable.—Japanese is unchanged at 52s. 6d. on the spot for good pale squares and at 54s. c.i.f.

#### Heavy Chemicals.

Manchester, September 28.

Trade on home and export account has been well maintained in heavy chemicals. Bleaching-powder is steady and in short supply at 10t. 10s. to 12t. 10s. per ton, accord-

Orchella-weed (Lisbon) 180

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Palm-kernels (Dakar) bgs.
1,741, (W.C. Africa) bgs.
44,115, tons 1,138
Palm oil (W.C. Africa) cks.
1,169

1,109
Peptone (N. York) pkgs. 10
Perfumery (Havre) cs. 26
Potash caustic (Montreal) dms.

Quebracho ext. (B. Ayres) bgs. 16,765, brls. 2,450 Poots (Singapore) bls. 47, (Mon-treal) bls. 21

Poots (Singapore) bls. 47, (Montreal) bls. 21
Saltpetre (Calcutta) bgs. 845
Shellac (Calcutta) 50
Soy (H.-Kong) cks. 100
Soya-bean oil (Kobe) cs. 5.000, brls. 200
Wax, bees' (Leghorn) bgs. 4.
(Rio) hgs. 53, (Dakar) pkgs. 174, (Rotterdam) cs. 11,

174. (Rotterdam) cs. Al. (Curação) 8 Wax, carnauba (Bahia) bgs. 167 Wax, veret. (Kobe) cs. 25 Zinc oxide (Rotterdam) 50

To Manchester. (From Sentember 14 to 28

inclusive.)
Acetic acid (Rotterdam) cks

Acetic acid (Rotterdam) cks. 20, (Philadel.) brls. 199, pkgs. 140 Alnm (Boston) bgs. 2.279 Ariline dyes (Marseilles) cks.

Antimony salts (Rouen) eks. 24 Arachis oil (Rotterdam) eks.

Calcium carbide (Odda) dms. 2.250. (Montreal) dms. 3,000 Calcium phosphate (Boston) pkgs. 50

pkgs. 50 Carbon, black (Philadel.) 360 Citric acid (Marseilles) 8 Cream of tartar (Marseilles) cks. 40 (Palermo) cks. 56 Dextrin (Philadel.) 215 Formic acid (Rotterdam) cbys. 108

Gum acacia (Alexandria) bgs.

Indigo (Rotterdam) cs. 8 Leaves, dried (Marseilles) bls.

Lemon oil (Sicily) pkgs. 10 Liquoric juice (Sicily) cs. 149 Liquoric-paste (Philadel.) cs.

Althopone (Rotterdam) 40 Mineral waters (France) cs. 125, crts. 200 Olive oil (Leghorn) bxs. 520, cs. 80, (France) cs. 76, cks. 8 Oxalic acid (Sweden) cks. 80 Phosphorus (Montreal) cs. 500 Potash carb. (Boston) cks. 16 Soda ccid sulphate (Boston) 45 Soda caustic (Philadel.) dms. 234

Soda chlorate (Boston) kgs. 60 Soda pruss. (Philadel.) cks. 43

Sulphur (Sicily) cks. 200, brls. 136, bgs. 9,287, cs. 50

Tartar emetic (Rouen) cks. 14

Herbs (Marseilles) bls. 51

ing to delivery. Caustic soda is in small compass; 75 to 77 per cent. is 14l. 10s. to 15l., and 60 to 62 per cent. 13l. 13s. to 14l. per ton on rails at works, according to delivery. Bicarbonate of soda 5l. per ton on rails at works, with extra prices for shipment. Soda crystals are unchanged at 45s. per ton in bags at works. Salt cake active. Ammonia alkali is steady at 2l. 17s. 6d. to 3l. 10s. per ton in bags on rails. Nitrate of soda is firm at 13s. 4d. to 13s. 6d. for 95 per cent.; refined, 14s. 4½d. to 14s. 6d. In glycerin. French advices are to the effect that prices tend unwards but so far as can be assertained the French tend upwards, but so far as can be ascertained the French rend upwards, but so far as can be ascertained the French Government has issued no permits for export. There is no change to note locally. Sulphur is higher. Sulphate of copper is also higher at 28l. 2s. 6d. to 28l. 5s. per ton, delivered Manchester. White powdered arsenic is scarce, at 25l. 10s. to 30l. 10s. per ton Manchester. Rectified sulphuric acid steady at 5l. 10s. to 6l. 10s. per ton, 167° to 170° Tw., on rails. Tartaric acid is the turn higher. Coal-tar products are quiet, with benzols and carbolic acid still nominal. Sulphate of ammonia is steady at 13l. 15s. London, 14l. 7s. 6d. Hull, 14l. 12s. 6d. Leith, 14l. 12s. 6d. per ton on rails Manchester.

#### Arrivals of Chemicals, Drugs, etc.

During the period September 22 to 28, inclusive, the following produce from the places mentioned in parentheses has arrived at the English ports stated. Goods in transit are not included. The figures denote packages where not specificially described:

To London.
Acetic acid (N. York) brls. 75.
(Rotterdam) pkgs. 92
Acetic anhydride (Treport) cks.

Acids (Treport) eks. 17 Agar-agar (Kobe) 60 Anise (Malaga) bgs. 40. (Alicanter 40

Antimony ore (Melbourne) bgs.

og Arachis oil (Retterdam) cks, 420 Argol (Lisbon) bgs, 167, (Barcelona) cks, 72, (Messina) bgs, 250, (Naples) 178 Arsenic (Oporto) cks, 126

Barium chlor. (Barcelona) brls.

Barvtes (Philadel.) brls. 96. X.

Barytes (Philadel.) brls. 96, (X. York) 320
Benzon (Harre) cs. 10
Bergamot oil (Messina) cs. 19
Borax (Dunkirk) pkgs. 467
Vajuput oil (Singapore) cs. 50
Calamus-root (Amsterdam) 20
Valcium errbide (Gothenburg) dms. 2,720
Camphor (Japan) cs. 40
Caraway oil (Rotterdam) cs. 22

Caraway-seed (Holland) 100 Carbonic acid (Rotterdam) tubes 30

tubes 30 Casein (N. York) pkgs, 175. (Charente) 491, (B. Avres) 200 Chaulmoogra oil (Calcutta) cs.

Chemical prod. (Treport) eks. 12

Chemicals, drugs, medicines, etc. (N. York) pkgs, 119, (Boulogne) pkgs, 22 Citronella oil (Rotterdam) dms.

Coconut oil (Calcutta) cks. 99

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Cod oil (Halifax) cks, 115
Vream of tartar (X, York) pkgs,
68, (Marseilles) cks, 36
Drugs (N, York) cs, 47, (Paris)
bgs, 30
Dyes (Amsterdam) cks, 62
Epsom salt (X, York) brls, 293
Ergot (Oporto) bgs, 16
Essential oils (Messina) pkgs,
176, (Amsterdam) cs, 5, (B,

176. (Amsterdam) es. 5. (B. Ayres) es. 15. (N. York) es. 23. (Marseilles) es. 6

Eucalyptus oil (Melbourne) cs.

Formaldehyde (N. York) brls. 114

Fruit-essences (Rotterdam) pkgs. 22 Galls (Marseilles) cs. 50

Gelatin (St. Nazaire) cs. 11, (Paris) bls. 29, (Treport) 44 Geranium oil (St. Nazaire) cks.

Glucose (N. York) 1.619 Glycerin cr. (Santos) dms. 13

Gum copal (Singapore) pkgs. 2,699

Gum damar (Singapore) pkgs. Gum kauri (Auckland) pkgs. 1,436

1,436
Gums, undescribed (Bordeaux)
bls, 10, (Australia) brs, 1,984
Herbs (Nantes) pkgs, 27,
(Japan) bgs, 20, bls, 50
Indigo (Calcutta) es, 5,
(Mudras) 198
Insect-flowers (Kobe) bls, 15
Juniper-berries (Leghorn) bgs, 31

Lemon oil (Messina) pkgs. 201, \(\frac{1}{4}\) cs. 20 (see also Essen, oils) Lemon of Aressinal pkgs. 20. \[ \frac{1}{2} \text{ cs. 20 (see also Essen. oils)} \]
Lime oil (Montreal) cs. 24
Linseed (Calcutta) bgs. 11,813,
Karachi) 1,904
Liquorice-juice (Marscilles) cs. 63

ithopone (Holland) 92 Magnes, earb. (Philadel.) bgs.

Magnesite cal. (Montreal) bgs. Magnesium metal (Montreal)

dms. 5 dms. 5 Milk-sugar (N. York) brls. 10 Mineral waters (France) c

1.369 Mineral white (Bordeaux) 100

Mint oil (Japan) es. 50 Nux vomica (Calcutta) pkts. 91

Mint oil (Japan) cs. 50

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Olive oil (Marseilles) pkgs. 54,

cks. 26, (Genoa) cks. 26, cs. 54

Opium (Calcutta) cs. 30,

(Japan) cs. 8, (Marseilles) cs.

10, (Archangel) cs. 30

Orchella-weed (Lisbon) bls. 178

Orris (Leghorn) bls. 46

Paraldelvde (N. York) cs. 5

Pepper (Penang) bgs. 59

Perfumery (Treport) cs. 12,

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sterdam) es. 10, (Melbourne) Petrolatum (N. York) brls. 228 Potash cyanide (N. York) cs.

Potash iodide (Kobe) cs. 20

Potash iodide (Kobe) cs. 20 Quinine (N. York) cs. 28, (Am sterdam) cs. 175 Rape-seed oil (Janan) cs. 1000 Roots barks, herbs, etc. (Mar-seilles) bls. 150, leaves, driel (Marseilles) bls. 200, pkcs, 472; seeds (Marseilles) pkgs. 461 461

Rose-water 12, cs. 12 (Marseilles) brls.

Rose-water (Marseilles) bris. 12, cs. 12
Rosin (Bordeaux) 225
Sultpetre (Calcutta) bgs. 1,928
Sarsaparilla (N. York) bls. 22
Seaweed (Amsterdam) bls. 200
Shellac (Calcutta) 914; button 10, garnet 86
Soda hypo (N. York) brls. 50
Soya-bean oil (Japan) cs. 1,000

Tamarinds (Calcutta) cks. 94 Tannic acid (Treport) cks. 5 Tartar (Lisbon) bgs. 139, (Barcelona) brls. 59, (Ali-Tartar (Lisbon) bgs. 150, (Barcelona) brls. 59, (Ali-cante) 317, (Messina) cks. 30 (Naples) cks. 37 Tartaric acid (Naples) brls. 10, (Leghorn) cks. 40 Tartar

(Legnorn) css. 40 Vanilla-beans (via Auckland) cs. 82, (Marseilles) cs. 9 Wax, bees' (Calcutta) cs. 12, (Rotterdam) bls. 13, (Mar-seilles) pkgs. 2,495, (Durban)

Wax, veget. (Japan) 100 Zinc oxide (N. York) 800, (Rotterdam) cks. 595 Zinc sulphate (Rotterdam) cks

To Liverpool.

Agar-agar (Kobe) 20 Albumen (Shanghai) cks. 153 Alcohol, wood (Norfolk, Va dms. 70

Antimony ore (Halifax) brls.

151 Argol (Naples) bgs. 202, (Oporto) 735 "Balsams" (Cartagena) cs. 23 Barytes (Barcelona) bgs. 2,598 Boric acid (Leghorn) cks. 8

Calcium bo bgs. 4,156 Calcium citrate (Demerara) bgs. 12

borate (Antofagasta)

Canary-seed (Cadiz) 500 Caraway-seed (Cadaz) 500 Caraway-seed (Rotterdam) 100 Chemical prod. (Genoa) cs. 9 Cochineal (Callao) bgs. 6 Coconut oil (Sydney) dms. 1,650 Cod oil (St. John's, N.F.) cks.

Cod-liver oil (St. John's, N.F.)

Cod-liver oil (St. John's, N.F.) es. 18, eks. 11
Cream of tarfar (Barcelona, eks. 5, (B.-deaux) eks. 46
Divi-divi (Curacao) bgs. 1,724
Drugs (N. York) es. 54
Fennel-seed (Salonica) bgs. 644
Glycerin (Oporto) dms. 20
Gum acacia (Bordeaux) bgs. 100
Gum copal (W.C. Africa) bgs. 17

Honey (Curação) brls. 17 Illipe nuts (Singapore) bgs. 6,105

Indigo (Calentta) es. 20 Lime-juice (Demerana) hds. 16 Linseed (Santa Fé) bgs. 3,631 Liquorice-paste (Philadel.) cs.

Lithopone (Rotterdam) cks. 84 Magnes, chlor. (N. York) cks.

Magnesite, raw (Kymassi) tons Menthol (Kobe) es. 15

Mention (Robe) cs. 13 Milk-sugar (Leghorn) cs. 12 Mineral waters (Rouen) cs. 350 Mineral white (Bordeaux) 400 Nutmegs (Singaporc) cs. 107 Olive oil (Seville) brls. 522. (Malaga) cks. 30, (Bordeaux)

cs. 146

Tartar emetic (Rouen) cks. 14

To Bristol.—Caraway-seed (Amsterdam) 60; coconut oil (Marseilles) cs. 1,300; cream of tartar (Marseilles) cks. 72; mineral waters (Marseilles) cs. 1060; olive oil (Marseilles) cs. 12. To Folkestone.—Chemical prod. (Boulogne) pkgs. 8; perfumery (Calais) 36. To Grimsby.—Drugs (Dieppe) sks. 38; dyestnffs (Dieppe) pkgs. 253. To Hull.—Acetic acid (Rotterdam) blns. 20, (N. York) brls. 28; caraway-seed (Rotterdam) 20; castor-seed (Bombay) bgs. 10.500; cotton-seed (Alexandria) cwt. 32,780; formic acid (Rotterdam) blns. 120; glucose (N. York) 180; glycerin (Amsterdam) dms. 150; lead acetate (N. York) brls. 65; linseed (R. Plate) bgs. 11,112. (Bombay) 2,422; magnes. carb. (N. York) bgs. 190; lithopone (Holland) 200; palm-kernels (W.C. Africa) bgs. 50,225; potash caustic (N. York) dms. 4; potash, undescribed (Christiania) cks. 14; soda nitrate (Skien) cks. 162, To Southampton.—Herbs (St. Malo) bls. 16; wax, bees' (St. Malo) cs. 13.

#### Continental Drug and Chemical Markets.

The following notes refer to the Hamburg and Berlin

markets up to September 8: CARAWAY-SEED.—New crop Dutch has been offered, but it chawars. E.D.—. we crop Dutch has been offered, but it is not of such fine quality as that of 1914, so that 1915 is rather cheaper than 1914. The average quantity which Holland can furnish yearly is about 90,000 bags, the world's consumption being estimated at 120,000 bags. Prices are therefore not expected to become lower. On the German market caraway-seed is in active demand, and for prompt

delivery it is almost unobtainable. From m.102 to m.105 per 100 kilos. is asked at present (duty paid), and 1915 crop is offered at from m.95 to m.100, according to quantity.

AGAR-AGAR is in active demand: first strip is quoted m.925;

the exportation from Germany is prohibited.

Camphon is very firm; only small quantities are offered.

Japanese refined has been sold at m.725 and flowers at m.700 per 100 kilos.; the commandeering of synthetic camphor has been revoked.

Chamomiles.—Roman have been sold at m.115 per 100

Kilos.

GUM ACACIA.—The stocks are only small and consequently prices are high, especially as no new imports are expected. Prices for natural Kordofan are from m.150 to m.155, fine white at from m.175 to m.190, extra fine at from m.225 to m.275, and "elect" at m.400 per 100 kilos.

Kola.—First quality halves are cheaper at m.110 per 100 kilos.

100 kilos.

LIQUORICE-ROOT.—A well-known Hamburg dealer, in his report, states that, owing to impossibility of obtaining further supplies of Ural liquoriee, further purchases have been made of spot stocks which are almost cleared.

Lycopodium has advanced to m.675 per 100 kilos, for rompt delivery. Neutral foreign countries ask more than prompt delivery. m.700 per 100 kilos, now as the importation from Russia

into Germany is quite impossible.

Oils (Essential).—Star-anise is still obtainable at m.14.25. Bergamot has advanced in price, as the inland stocks are only small and new imports cannot be expected; from m.40 to m.42 per kilo, is quoted. Cassia is still to be had at from m.9 to m.10, according to c.a. content. Clove is quoted at m.20. Eucalyptus is still to be had at m.5, but the price is expected to advance, as stocks are dwindling; prices from m.7.50 to m.8.50 have already been asked. The demand for Fennel oil is very large, but fennel-seed for distillation is not to be had, and Galician fennel cannot be reckoned upon this autumn; prices have therefore adbe reckoned upon this antumn; prices have therefore adbe reckoned upon this antumn; prices have therefore advanced to from m.24 to m.25 per kilo., and are not expected to become lower. The demand for Lime oil is very active, but importation is practically stopped; from m.25 to m.26 per kilo, is asked. Japanese Mint oil is easier at m.11.75. By way of neutral countries American Peppermint has been imported into Germany, and is quoted at m.38 for prepared delivery. If C. II is m.10. Silverian Price wordle as prompt delivery; H.G.H. is m.19. Siberian Pinc-needle is offered at m.3.75.

QUILLAIA.—Cut is cheap at from m.160 to m.165 per 100

kilos., according to quantity.

Lead (White).—In consequence of the advanced prices of linseed oil the Koln Syndicate has been obliged to advance the price of oil white lead by m.3; it is now m.20 dearer than powdered white lead. The prices are m.106.50 per 100 kilos for oil cerussa and m.86.50 for powdered white lead. white lead.

Turpentine.—Venetian is extremely scarce and dear, extra pale being almost unobtainable, and from m.180 to m.190 per 100 kilos. has been paid; ordinary sorts are quoted at from m.140 to m.160, ac to quality.

The following is a further selection of prices prevailing in Germany at the end of July 1915:

				Duty paid. M. per 100 kilos.	Hamburg (in bond). M. per 100 kilos.
Antimony, crude maxin	num			60	6.0
regulus price				150	150
Arsenic, white lump				43-45	43-45
,,, powdered		***		32-35	35-36
,, sulphide				68-74	70-74
Asphalt, American					74-78
Bismuth, metal				25-27*	1. 10
'Cadmium, metal				14-15*	
Cobalt				11 13	
Owenhile Debersien			• • •	11-15	
V + a 2 - m - 3		• • •	***	77-79	
4 *				18-20	
					145 150
Paraffin, 56° to 58° C. m.p.		***		135-145	145-150
Quicksilver (bot. 341 kilos.	)			235-250	250-260
Tin oxide ,	• • •		* * *	775-800	

Aluminium, cobalt, nickel, platinum, silver, tin, wolfram and zinc

CHINESE GALLS.—The exports from Ichang during 1914 amounted to 11.098 piculs, against 10,521 piculs in 1913 and 9,467 piculs in 1912.

Swiss Chemicals.—The chemical-industry is doing very well. Dyestuff makers are hampered by lack of raw coaltar products, but are making handsome profits, while makers of pharmaceutical supplies have never enjoyed such remunerative times.



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Division of the Minor.

SIR,-I noticed some reference recently to division of the qualifying examination, a matter which is long overduc. "No division without a curriculum" is simply a shibboleth which one is expected to pronounce to show that he is of the true Bloomsbury faith. There is no necessary connec-tion between the two arrangements. The reasons for the division are cogent, and, although the curriculum should be postponed to the Greek Kalends, the division ought to be effected forthwith, or as nearly so as practicable.

Edinburgh.

Yours, etc., D. B. Dott.

Increased Medicine-duties. SIR,—While the recent House of Commons' resolution only authorised increase of medicine stamp-duty to double the present rate, we find in circular just received from Custom House that the value of medicines exceeding 20s, and not exceeding 30s, the duty is to be 10s., against the old rate of 3s. As so few firms are interested in that particular size, we think what is evidently an error may get oversize, we think what is evidently an error may get overlooked. We are making inquiries at Custom House as to which is correct duty payable—6s. or 10s. Your editorial article in issue of September 25 holds the view that the former is the correct duty, which is certainly in accordance with the House of Commons' resolution actually printed on the official notification of increase. The rate for exceeding 10s. and not exceeding 20s. is notified as 3s., whereas, if the resolution has been reported correctly, this should be 4s.

Yours faithfully

Yours faithfully, Kentish Town. DE Roos, Johnson & Co. [See note on p. 41.]

Patent-medicine Prices.

-At the joint meeting held in London on Friday, September 24, I endeavoured to bring before the meeting a scheme for the simplification of the present irregular prices of patent medicines, but, owing to the discussion of such a subject not being before the meeting, I was ruled out of order, and had no opportunity of explaining it. The scheme I wished briefly to outline was that all patent medicines be sold at face rules the wavefunctures. scheme I wished briefly to outline was that all patent medicines be sold at face value, the manufacturers to allow wholesalers an inclusive discount of, say, 30 per cent, to 33½ per cent, this discount to be divided between the wholesale and the retail, the proportion of such division to be arrived at after consideration. In my opinion, if such a scheme could be organised and carried out it would abolish many anomalies existing at present and produce a much better feeling with all who handle patent medicines. First of all, the public would, I think, be quite prepared and content to pay the face value of the article, and the absurdity of 1s. ½d. articles being sold at 10½d. 11d., 11½d., 1s., and any price instead of the duly advertised one, would disappear. So much for the public. As far as the manufacturer, the wholesaler, and the retailer are concerned, this system would much simplify the present complex arrange. facturer, the wholesaler, and the retailer are concerned, fins system would much simplify the present complex arrangement; apprentices, new assistants, and all concerned would have no difficulty in knowing the exact price at which to retail all patent medicines, and the retail trade, by having a better margin of profit on patent medicines, would not so much discourage their sale, and to a certain extent

there would not be the same inducement to offer other lines there would not be the same inducement to offer other lines "just as good" or to put initations on the market. At present the retailer really cares little or nothing about keeping up his stock of patents. If, for example, a customer comes in for a bottle of Seigel's syrup, and he has not got it, he only loses  $\frac{1}{2}d$ . whereas if the margin of profit was larger, in my opinion, the manufacturer would secure a great amount of co-operation from the retailer. The advantage to the wholesale would be very great indeed; it would simply be a matter of invoicing patents at face value and deducting the discount at the foot of the invoice. The vexed question of giving or taking halfpennies would go by the board, many other difficulties would disappear, and the business become far more straightforward and easily worked. It appears to me that the present is a most propitious time to make such alterations as would be necessary, and if not taken now may never occur again. Everypitious time to make such alterations as would be necessary, and if not taken now may never occur again. Everyone is interested in the question—manufacturers, whole-salers, and retailers—and I should very much like to see the whole question ventilated. The above is only roughly outlined, so as to bring about a discussion on the matter.

Faithfully yours.

34 Hanover Street, Liverpool. W. H. Saunders.

Drug-Tariff Reform.

SIR.—Now that panel chemists have received the Government's diplomatic note, it is time the former sent in their reply in the shape of counterclaims. I would suggest the following:

1. A profit of 20 per cent, on all prescription ingredients and, a fortiori, on all dressings. Are we to be expected to stock (in some instances for years) and to distribute

to stock (in some instances for years) and to distribute drugs without interest on capital outlay or without profit? What sort of economic system would that involve?

2. Establishment charges raised to 1.5d. (vice 0.8d.).

3. Dispensing-fees for mixtures, etc., graduated according to either size of bottle or, better, number of doses. Otherwise the doctor can easily out down our remuneration by prescribing, say, a 16-oz, bottle of two-teaspoonful doses are now less.

doses or even less.

4. N.B. Late dispensing-fees universally applicable—say 6d. for each prescription dispensed after 8.30 P.M. or on Sundays, etc.

We eannot raise our status unless we raise our incomes:

and, conversely, proposals to cut down remuneration are plans to degrade our calling. In particular the proposed Tariff would make for a shabby and inefficient national dispensing service.

ROBERT LE DIABLE. (232 36.)

Robert Le Diable. (232 '36.)

Sir.—Regarding the merits or demerits of the new Tariff I will say nothing, but leave it for better writers than myself to praise or damn it, as they think fit. Previous Tariffs have been thrown at us a few minutes before the time for signing them, and we have been told by cur so-called leaders to sign and leave the rest in their hands and they will take care of our interests. On this eccasion we have time to think it over and work out how much we are likely to gain or lese by the change. I think it is time that panel chemists should say what they think on the subject, and not be led or driven like so many sheep going to the slaughter. My suggestion is that a postal vote be taken by the Pharmacoutical Society of all chemists on the panel, including drug-stores and company sheps under qualified management—one shap the vote—a charre, possibly 6d., to be made for each vote to cover expenses, and the balance, if any, to be passed on to the Benevolent Fund. If 75 per cent, vote against it, then our leaders can tell the Insurance Commissioners and the medical men that we will have nothing to do with it, but prefer to muddle along as before until a Tariff is introduced which will be acceptable to 75 per cent, of chemists on the panel.

Yours faithfully,

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SIR.—The following extracts from the leading article in the "British Medical Journal" reveal how satisfied the British Medical Association is with the Report of the Departmental Committee which has been sitting in judgment respecting our profits and the proposed future remuneration for work done for insured persons. [Here the writer quotes the seven points already quoted in our editorial article on the subject.] As we do not know what is the real opinion of these who represented the Pharmaceutical Society on the Committee, it is somewhat difficult to judge what is the real value of the Report; but the extracts show how much they were up against, and, to a certain extent, the wonder that they came out with their own ease with the principle of dispensing for the pharmacist so soundly established. The question of adequate remuneration, I take it, may not quite end with the Report muneration. I take it, may not quite end with the Report of the Committee. . . . Now come our professional fees, viewed, again, with evident satisfaction. All drugs of any

sort will, at any rate, earry a dispensing-fee of 1d. exclusive of establishment charges, while stock mixtures or other liquids stocked in bulk will carry 1½d. Extemporaneously prepared mixtures and other liquid preparations will take a dispensing-fee of 2d. independently of quantity. The "British Medical Journal" concludes that "the whole Report reflects great credit on the members of the Committee who have superstally attacked. "the whole Report reflects great credit on the members of the Committee, who have successfully attacked a financial and administrative problem of great complexity and have extracted order out of chaes, with an obvious desire to bring forth a settlement which shall be just and equitable to all parties concerned." The question whether it will satisfy chemists can be settled when we have had a full explanation of all the good things in the Report. The fact, however, remains that the desires the set of the fact of the fa explanation of all the good things in the Report. The faet, however, remains that the doctors have had their wish gratified by an inquiry into the Tariff, and, according to the "British Medical Journal," are expected to be satisfied with the result. This is important, and should be the beginning of a better understanding, without which it will never be possible satisfactorily to carry out the work of the Medical Benefit department of the Act. Your valuable space cannot permit of long correspondence: but for my part, after earefully reading Vol. I. of the Report, and having been guilty of dispensing something approaching 50.000 preseriptions, with of course, assistance, I prefer to know more about it before I condemn it.

Yours faithfully,

Yours faithfully. M.P.S. (E299 15.)

Insurance Dispensing Figures.

Sir.—I have read with much interest the letter from "Another Single-handed Chemist" printed in your last issue. "A. S. C." asks for figures, and I have pleasure in complying with his request. I hope other pharmaeists will spare the necessary time to analyse a round hundred prescriptions so that one area can compare with another. Once this is done I am satisfied that the trade roun parts. this is done I am satisfied that the trade-your pardon, I mean profession-will find that the Commissioners, knowing what patient asses we have proved ourselves to be, are gently insinuating us from the frying-pan on to the fire. Here, then, are the figures derived from a most minute and painstaking analysis of the first hundred prescriptions I took off my file:

		Present Tariff	Proposed
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My list included every variety of prescription from mixtures to dressings, and in arriving at the prices of such drugs as sodii salicyl., potas, bromid., phenaeetin, and other war drugs. I have not used the prices given in the model price-list, but have taken the current list of Woolleys, of Manchester, as many of the prices given in the model are below market cost. It is obvious that the Commercial Tariff has been based on the rooted idea that 2s, is enough. The principle followed is to reduce the Tariff down to, or under, the 2s, limit, instead of seeing that we get enough money. has been based on the rooted idea that 2s. is enough. The principle followed is to reduce the Tariff down to, or under, the 2s. limit, instead of seeing that we get enough money to cover our bills on the present Tariff. The one advantage promised—prompt payment—does not by any means balance the many disadvantages, the chief of which are reduced profits and no check on the pricing staff. Look at the figures again and estimate the profit on the one hundred. Dispensing-fees (all the profit we are offered, as there is none on the drugs) amount to 1l. 8s. 11d. Allow six minutes for each script and a professional payment of 2s. per hour, and we are left with the munificent balance of 8s. 11d. Think of that, Brother Pill. If you are good, and the doctors will allow you, you are to receive the splendid profit of one penny when you have dispensed a a prescription. Actually you get 1.07 pence on each, but I am allowing the 0.07 for handkerchiefs to wipe the honest sweat from off your brow. It is all so very pretty—

"Open your mouth, good chemist, and see what a big dispensing plum I drop in; but close your eyes, good chemist, so that you won't see me filehing a bigger plum off your drug-shelves."

Are we going to stand it? None of us like it, but we have a derival these if the order.

Are we going to stand it? None of us like it, but we keep on doing it because we are so afraid that if we don't, the "other fellow" will. That's why we are in the rut: fear of the "other fellow." Yours truly, Carrie O'Phylla. (238, 48.)

Other letters have been received as we go to press. One of these is by Mr. Harold E. Matthews (Bristol), who says  $(inter\ alia)$ : "Messrs. Peat's figures as to 'profit' are

absolutely fallacious. No allowance has been made in the total outgoings for the salary of the working proprietor. The suggested establishment-charge of 0.8d. per prescrip-The suggested establishment-charge of 0.8d. per prescription can best be appraised by considering it in relation to a business consisting of Insurance dispensing solely. Taking the dispensing-fee for mixtures as 2d., and the rate of payment 2s. per hour, twelve mixtures hourly for a forty-eight hours' working week amount to 29,952 in a year—call this 30,000. Now, 30,000 fees of 0.8d. amount to just 100. This sum is to cover rant, rates and tayes insurance light This sum is to cover rent, rates and taxes, insurance, light ing, heating, and cleaning, carriage inwards on goods and outwards on empties, interest on capital invested, depreciation of stock and fixtures, and all leakages by waste and breakage. I doubt if any of your readers will try to show how it can be done for the money."

Scotland and the New Tariff.

SIR,—How have the Report and results of Departmental Committee's work, with accompanying Tariff, been received in Scotland? That the Report is a masterly document, showing careful and conscientious work, goes without saying. Moreover, the position is so clearly expressed that the reader is carried along with the argument and becomes almost convinced that the dispenser is coming into his own almost convinced that the dispenser is coming into his own at last. The principle upon which the new Tariff is founded, although new as far as business men are concerned, has much to commend it, and probably, had results justified the expectations that at last we were to receive fair remuneration for work carefully performed, few would have cavilled at the method, whether called commercial or professional. Some of the points now conceded or proposed to be conceded are what some of us have contended for all allogations. for all along—e.g., equal treatment to all Insurance areas, abolition of discounting clause, and payment of accounts a first charge on Medical Benefit Fund. It is the more disappointing, therefore, to find that when we have been led to expect bread, we are, in the new Tariff, offered a stone. I have no hesitation in saying that the new Tariff as it stands will never be accepted in Scotland. The unanimous opinion is that, while the position was bad before, it is now worse than ever. You safeguard your own position, Mr. Editor, by saying if the data upon which own position, Mr. Editor, by saving if the data upon which the Tariff is founded are correct, the results should not be unsatisfactory. The data cannot be correct, and curiosity is greatly exercised as to the half-degen firms in Scotland is greatly exercised as to the half-drzen firms in Scotland who were taken as examples, and whose books showed a better profit since the introduction of N.H.I. dispensing than previously. As far as the bulk of ordinary pharmacists is concerned, the statement is not true. The administration-fee is absurd. The Committee propose to take away the profit on drugs without showing anything like a corresponding increase in dispensing-fees; in other words, the commercial part has been taken away, while the so-called professional renumeration has been fixed on a scale called professional remuneration has been fixed on a scale so low that any ordinary workman from a commercial standpoint would not entertain it for a moment. That the next result is a seriously retrograde step is canable of being easily proved. Given a sufficient number of prescriptions representative of all types of prescribing, price these according to the old Tariff and the new, plus administration-fee, and the result, if not identical, will either be loss or gain. This has been done with mathematical precision, and the result of the prescription of the property standpoint would not entertain it for a moment. That the and shows a loss on the average of 2d. per prescription. This is not guesswork. No wonder the Committee have at their disposal a sum of 125,000t, to stand between the medical men and the infringement of their funds! I hardly think the scheme will get the length of refusal by the chemists. Medical men are there before us, and I shall not be surprised to find that the very men who are ruining the Drug Fund now by extravagant prescribing will be the first to cry out against even a remote chance of the same thing happening to themselves. Apart from that, it is quite apparent that however anxious the Departmental Committee may be to have one National Tariff, conditions vary so much as between England and Scotland that it cannot be done. In many areas things are so bad at present that the mere mention of still further lowering the re-muneration will hasten a crisis which has threatened more than once already.—Yours truly, Scottish Pharmacist. (241/53.)

#### War-work for Women.

SIR,—This is a subject of great importance at present and Miss Forster's article in your issue of September 25 and Miss Porsier's article in your issue of September 20 shows that women dispensers are needed and can be trained quickly, inexpensively. I have long felt that the best war-work that untrained but well-educated women can do is to train immediately for some profession, instead of under-taking unskilled work, for there is already more of this kind of labour available than is necessary, especially among women. Dispensing should appeal to patriotic, ambitious women, because it is an interesting profession,

and offers not only a present sphere of usefulness directly and offers not only a present sphere of usefulness directly connected with the Army, but future employment as well; for after the war there is bound to be a dearth of men available for this work. This is Britain's hour of need, and now is the time when Britain's daughters are wanted not only to bind up the wounds of Britain's heroes, but to serve them in other ways, so that all who are of the right age and are physically fit may go to the Front with minds at ease, assured that work at home is not neglected. Hospitals require and are employing more women dispensers pitals require and are employing more women dispensers, both here and are employing more women dispensers, both here and elsewhere, than ever before. Those lacking time or means to attend classes may train by post, but they are warned to investigate well before deciding which of the many courses offered they should take. My knowledge of dispensing as a suitable profession for women is at the disposal of those interested.—Yours truly,

F. A. Degen, F.I.S.A.O.

#### Legal Queries.

The majority of difficulties in regard to trade law are explained in the legal section of "The Chemist and Druggist Diary," 1915, beginning on page 405.

Query (239/1),—" Eusol" is the word used to describe the hypochlorite solution now so much used in surgery. It is not registered as a trade-mark.

Family Chemist (238/34).—The circular issued by the Board of Customs and Excise in regard to the increase of medicine-duties does not alter, in any other respect what ever, the law as to the sale of medicines used externally or internally for human beings. The following is how the matter stands as regards the labels submitted by you:

(1) —'s Foot-powder.—Not liable to medicine-duty as it is a toilet-preparation, and there is no indication on the label that it is to be used medicinally or for anything considered to be a

it is to be used medicinally or for anything considered to be a human ailment.

(2) Voice and Throat Pastilles.—Not liable to duty because they are not held out by the label for any human ailment.

(3) Children's Congh-mixture.—Exempt from duty, you, the vendor, being a registered chemist; but the reference to the published formula must be clearer—viz. "P.F. 225." This may be written on the label, but it is better to put it on a small supplementary label until you are able to include it in a new set of tables.

of labels.

(4) Iron-and-Quinine Tonic.—Not liable to duty as it is not held out as a remedy, but if this happened to be done the title in itself is a disclosure meeting the exemption requirements.

(5) Buck and Kidney Pills.—This is a body-name, therefore the pills are not dutiable if not recommended for an ailment, or the action is not indicated by added words.

Double Tax (239/56).—(1) We do not know of any in stance in which such a title as "Special Liver-pills" used without any other matter has actually involved liability to medicine stamp-duty, but we consider it anwise to use the adjective. (2) "Expectorant Cough-syrup" is a dutiable title, but you, as a chemist, can obtain exemption from stamp-duty by disclosure, as to which see C. & D. Diary, "Exemptions," p. 419.

Salol (240/20) wants to know if a limited liability company, registered as "Smiths Cash Chemists, Limited," may continue to trade under the registered title after dismissing the qualified superintendent, reverting to the original business of a drug-store; that is, selling no poisons or medicines containing poisons. [It is illegal to use the title under which the company is at present registered, and trading can only be legalized by winding up the company and ceasing only be legalised by winding up the company and ceasing to trade as chemists and druggists—i.r., confining the sales to articles which are not, or do not contain, scheduled poisons.]

J. H. (239/38).—The words "A demulcent, expectorant, and soothing compound for the chest, threat, and lungs" will make any preparation liable to medicine stamp-duty, because the adjectives in the quotation indicate how the preparation acts upon the chest, throat, and lungs. See the C. & D. Diary, "Body-names." p. 418.

#### Subscribers' Symposium.

For interchange of opinion among "C. & D." readers, and brief notes on business and practical topics, especially new ideas.

Pharmacists and the Medical Curriculum.
Mr. R. A. Rutherford, Front Street, Newbiggin-by-Sea, who initiated the movement that led up to the meeting held in London on September 15, now writes to say that the Committee appointed to further matters, so that the authoricommittee appointed to turther matters, so that the authorities could be approached in a proper manner and in due course, is not idle, although this is the academic vacation. He hopes to communicate again in a few days with all whose names and addresses he has. Any pharmacist wishing to know the cost of medical studies should consult the C. & D. Educational Number of August 14.

#### Scientific Photo-pharmacy.

Recently an eminent consulting physician went to a leading photo-pharmacist and ordered a two-solution photographic developer. The pharmacist, anxious to exhibit his complete up-to-dateness, carefully prepared the solutions, then labelled them fully, using both the Imperial and metric systems, with complete and minute directions, and sent them to the doctor. The next day the doctor called in with the bottles full and scornfully twitted the scientific apport-pharmacist, without mercy twitted the scientific photo-pharmacist without mercy, saying he preferred less label and more ordinary common sense, for, alas! the labels were in Red Ink (242.5).

#### "Rep. Mist."

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"We have great pleasure in enclosing cheque for another big 10s, worth, because, as the last four letters of the title-names signify, the contents of The Chemist and Druggist are of such a 'mist' (ura) that we shall be pleased to know of a more wonderfully complete thing if it is to be found. Nothing of any real value is 'mis(t')sed; the explanations are so lucid that we are certainly not in a 'mist' after we have read them; everything is given in such clear, concise language that we have the 'gist' of the whole thing in a few words. May the circulation keep on whole thing in a few words. May the circulation keep on increasing, to the mutual advantage of yourselves and subscribers, is the wish of yours respectfully. —A Firm in the North (253, 10).

#### Ext. Hyoscyami.

"Can ext. hyoscyami, B.P. 1914, be legally used as fully representing ext. hyoscyami, B.P. 1898, in making pills from a prescription dated 1904 or since 1898? There is a dispute here among dispensers as to the right one to use. I maintain that it is simply an improved method of making and keeping the extract, and is of the same and more definite strength therapeutically, and will keep almost indefinitely if well preserved. Therefore it can be legally used instead of the old 1898 make." A. Stooke (Gillingham, Kent).

["It is obligatory upon dispensing chemists to use the preparations of the British Pharmacopæia, 1914, after January 1, 1915, for prescriptions written after 1914, but not for prescriptions written before 1915."—The Art of Dispensing, p. 34.]

#### Miscellaneous Inquiries.

We do not undertake to analyse and report upon proprietary articles nor to publish supposed formulas of them. When samples are sent particulars should be supplied to us as to their origin, what they are, what they are used for and how.

We do not as a rule repeat information which has been given in this section during the past twelve months, but give the reference to the issues in which the information may be found. If querists cannot refer to these they may obtain the numbers from the "C. & D." Office at the published price, usually 6d.

B. P. & Co. (231 38).—NAIL-STONES.—We are not quite sure B. P. & C. (251 56).—NAIL-STONES.—We are not quite sure to what you refer in your inquiry about nail-stones. The polishing-cakes in manicure-sets are made of tin oxide, alone or diluted with prepared chalk, perfumed, tinted, and made into a mass with tragacanth mucilage. The agate polishers are pieces of natural agate cut and polished

Italia (223 43).—Your formula for Iodine Ointment will produce a compound which should not be supplied for human use, and it cannot in any way represent the tincture. A formula for iodine ointment is included in the British Pharmacopeia, in which lard is used as the basis because soft paraffin has a distinct effect on iodine, forming a non-staining ointment. To protect metallic containers from the action of iodine it is customary to coat the metal with paraffin wax. Iodine acts upon rubber, but the effects of grease on rubber are even more deleterious.

W. J. C. (234 51).—The sample of powder for destroying Worms ox Luwxs which you send has a basis of dried blood, cotton-meal, and bone-powder, with a fair proportion of mustard-bran. It is intended to act as a fertiliser in addition to forcing the worms to the surface of the lawn. Mustard-bran alone, sprinkled over and then watered in, is frequently used for this purpose.

Tune (239-15).—We cannot undertake a full analysis of the STOMACH-MIXTURE you send, but we think it would be fairly represented by a mixture containing suitable doses of acid. nitric. dil., tr. nuc. vom., syrup or glycerin, and infusion of chiretta.

P. T. O. (235 17).—HYDROCYANIC-ACID FUMIGATION is fully described in "Pharmaceutical Formulas," p. 416, to which please refer.

Hanwell (234/30).—Isle of Wight BEE-DISEASE is a fungoid ailment which infects bees. It is described in a leaflet published by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, 4 Whitehall Place, London, S.W., which you can obtain free on application.

A Nottinghamshire Subscriber (252/34) writes: "Sheep A Nottinghamshire Subscriber (252/34) writes: "Sheep about here are suffering from Worms and dying in great numbers. I put up a drench with ether, tr. asaf., ol. tereb., ol. carui, and ol. morrhuæ. Could I safely pur arsenic in this, please? Or, failing this, would it be safe to give powders—£.g., ferri sulph. exsic., salt. charcoal, and arsenic—to be mixed with the food? Can you suggest a remedy?" [We presume that it is tapeworm that affects the sheep. If so give any of the following after withholding food for a night and water for a few hours:

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Sulph. flo		 	aa.	5j.
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Antim. ta		 		gr. xxv.
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This can be given in the food or in water as drench. The following is good for worms, scour, debility, etc.:

Ammon. carb.,			
Ol. tereb.,			
Tr. opii,			
Diapente puly.		aa.	5iv.
Puly, aloes ba	rb.,		
Ext. glycyrrhiz	Z	 aa.	5j.
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One or two tablespoonfuls daily as required.

On no account give arsenie, as it is a very doubting remedy, and more so when given in food. Remove the flock to clean pastures, avoid overstocking, and get a supply of pure water. Give rock salt, and sprinkle the infected pastures with quicklime or plough them up. Your prescriptions are good, and can be repeated with the addition of antim. tart. or ext. filicis maris.]

Radix (233, 57).—GOODWILL OF CHEMISTS' BUSINESSES is Radix (235, 57).—GOODWILL OF CHEMISTS' BUSINESSES is not altogether a thing of the past, but there is no longer any fixed rule in regard to the value of goodwill where it exists. On this point see replies to "Z. S. O." C. & D., July 31, p. 195, aud "Mumpara," August 21, p. 60. In the case that you mention it would be desirable that the goodwill, which we think exists, should be determined by an independent party if it cannot be mutually agreed upon-

# Retrospect of Fifty Years Ago. Reprinted from "The Chemist and Druggist," October 14, 1865.

#### Pharmacy Bills.

Extracts from the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on Chemists and Druggists Bills. The following extract from the minutes of the evidence given by Mr. Mackay, Honorary Secretary of the Pharmaceutical Society in Edinburgh, will be read with interest by our subscribers:

Mr. Ayrton: How many persons in Scotland are carrying on the business of compounding and selling drugs who are not members of the Pharmaceutical Society:—I should think probably throughout Scotland 400 or 500.

What proportion do they bear to the number who are members of the Pharmaceutical Society:—In Scotland I

do not think there are more than 120 or 130 connected with

the Pharmaceutical Society.

And the others would be 500?—Roughly, between 400

And how many of the 400 or 500 would require the thorough knowledge you have spoken of for the duties of a pharmaceutical chemist?—Do you refer to the Major examination:

examination? What you are speaking of?—If you asked the Minor examination. I could answer more readily. I should think half would be prepared to undergo the Major examination. As I stated in my former examination, it is not the fear of examination, but the high rates. A man in the country cannot easily take away ten or fifteen guineas from his business

The Minor has not the effect in your mind of making a man a pharmaceutical chemist?—Certainly not. It would give him, however, an amount of education and information sufficient to enable him to compound prescriptions.

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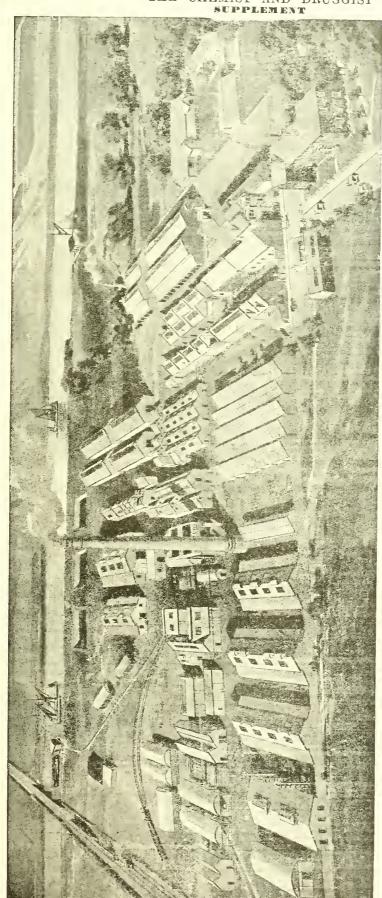
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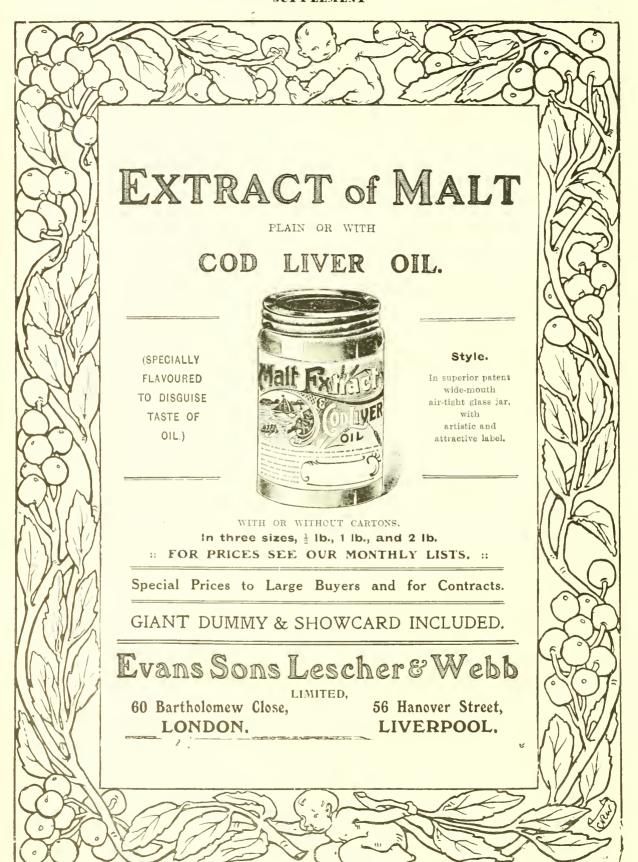
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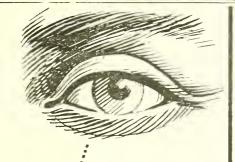
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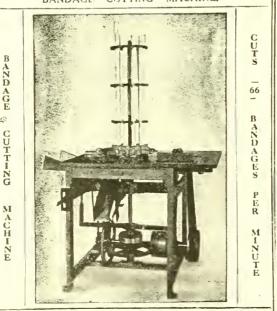
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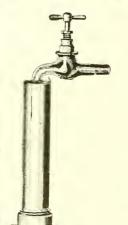
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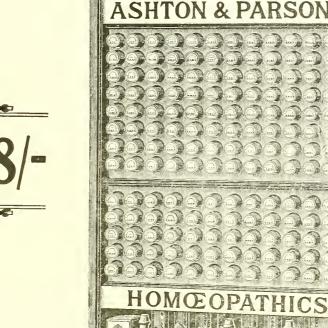
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MANCHESTER.—Qualified Assistant, State age, height, and full particulars, references, and salary required (outdoors), Jeans, 151 Oxford Road, Manchester.

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A SSISTANT (either sex), unqualified but capable, for Retail, Dispensing, and Photographic business; outdoors. Usual full particulars, salary, and references to Thompson & Walton, 73 High Street, Maidenhead.

A SSISTANT wanted: whole day off one week and half-day (from 1 o'clock) off the next week, alternately. Please give particulars as to age, experience, references, salary required, when disengaged, etc., in first letter, to Bishop & Vincent, 460 Holloway Road, London, N.

A SSISTANT required in a high-class Dispensing and Retail business; hours 8.30 to 8 p.m., Saturdays 9.15; outdoors; Wednesday half-day; others kept. Full particulars and reference to F. G. Curtis, Ph. Chemist (from Allen & Hanburys), 94 Sandgate Road, Folkestone. Competent lady can apply.

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MANAGER, qualification not essential, for small Branch in healthy North London suburb; easy hours; convouient house with garden; excellent prospects to capable man; good references essential; also Part-time Assistant. Scud full particulars in first letter, 259, 27. Office of this Paper.

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QUALIFIED Junior Assistant required; Central London; outdoors; must be good Counterman, used to good-class business. Apply, "Benzoiu" (261/9), Office of this Paper.

QUALIFIED Manager, abstainer, with Dental experience, to develop neglected Country business; permanency with good prospects; exceptional opportunity for reliable man; house attached; also garden. Apply, stating age, salary required, and references, to "Eastmed" (261/20), Office of this Paper.

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